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Al Pearson and Jeff Bohner informed me about the way I typed the wrong area code last month. Jeff realized and got through. Hoss on the otherhand called the wrong number, actually the right number in the wrong city. He received a recording that the number was disconnected. The next day Al phoned me at work. he wasn't worried about me, just his sub money. It's nice to have concerned friends like Al.

Larry Neubauer has complained about my new sub rates. He is getting a petition together to get the rates of COA lowered. If you would like to join Larry's crusade write him at 251 Cheswold Ln. Haverford, Pa. 19041. As of now the deal I am offering Larry is to charge charge him just what Coa costs me! Join Larry and you can get the same deal!

The nominees for the DON MILLER AWARD are listed below. This is an award given to a hobby member active today for all they have done to help postal Dip. The deadline is July 4, 1983. Send your vote to Larry Peery Box 8416 San Diego, Ca. 92102 Vote for ONE (only One)

LEE KENDTER, Sr.      Don Ditter      Uncle Berch      Rod Walker

Don't forget your address and signature!

Please note that since COA is a Phila zine and Lee Kendter is from Phila. I feel all COA subbers should support LEE for this award. Lee is the current Miller Number Custodian, past Boardman Number Custodian, publishes Why Me and GMS.

Of course the other candidates are pretty good nominees in their own rights. Don Ditter is the current BNC and I doubt anyone can say he has not done an excellent job. Of course he did lie and stab me in my second game of Postal Dip.

Rod Walker is of course the current publisher of Diplomacy World. He at one time was the BNC. Of course when voting, <sup>remember</sup> he is the one responsible for Mark Berch's photo being put on the last issue of Dip World.

And of course there is Mark Berch. Mark is sort of a civilized John Michalski. He publishes Diplomacy Digest. Does a lot for Dip World (ie letting Walker put his photo on the cover). Those are his negatives. On the plus side Mark has NEVER lied or stabbed me in a game of Dip. His typing and spelling makes mine look flawless!

Seriously all the nominees have done more than their share for postal dip and any one of them deserves this award

The city of Phila. went insane (more than usual) with a victory parade for the 76ers. When a Phila team wins a 'world championship' the city goes all out because it happens so seldom. I'm curious to see what will happen if the Stars win the USFL. I wonder what will happen if the Phila soccer team wins a title. They'll probably roll a soccer ball down market st. I don't even know the name of the team and I went to see one their games a couple of years ago.

About a year ago one of the local supermarkets installed a computer system where the registers use a scanner to record the price of an item instead of hitting the price into the register. Last weds. the unit broke. Since they use a scanner there is no need to price each individual item. Unless of course the computer breaks down. The solution? Each customer had to remember the prices. Unfortunately most didn't so the cashiers and baggers had to run up and down each Aisle looking for prices. Of course when I got to the front of the line that was not necessary. I simply made up prices for the items I bought!

For some reason or other I seldom plug other zines. I usually consider most postal dip very good if they stick to their schedule. One zine that seems to consistently rise above the average is Steve Langley's Magus. The sub fees here are only 60¢/ issue and I don't recall Steve ever having charged for a double issue. Not only do you get Steve's writing skills and imagination but also the charm and wit of Daphne! Also in Magus is Don Williams Fiat Bellum, a fantastic subzine! As far as I can tell the only strike against Magus is it is not available in braille (too bad Faz!) Send Steve Langley 2-20¢ stamps. The address is 4112 Boone Ln. Sacramento, Ca. 95821 Tell him Woody sent you!

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With only 7 weeks until Origins I have received the registration form. It was relatively easy to get the info too. All I had to do was send the committee 3 self addressed stamped envelopes, one in March, one in April and another in May! Actually I was getting worried as Hoss Pearson told me my basement was to be the backup site for Dipcon '83! And that would have meant I would have had to clean the place. The address for Origins info is Metro Detroit Gamers Origins Pre-Reg: Box 787: Troy, Mi. 48099.

I will also tell you that several of us have made hotel reservations at the Hotel Ponchartrain across the street from Cobo Hall. We called the hotel directly and the cost is \$15 less per night than making the reservation through Origins. So consider calling any of the hotels yourself.

I received a couple of letters concerning Ken Jingozian's editorial in COA's last issue. First from Rod Walker.

Hindsight is always more accurate than foresight. It is certainly fair to say that had Neville Chamberlain known the future course of events, he would not have negotiated the Munich agreement as he did. However, I do not see that lack of precognition equates to "pin-head". I feel that he can justly be criticized for betraying Czech.... however, anyone who studies the events in the light of their own times will have to admit that Chamberlain did not act stupidly... and that his actions were widely praised by his contemporaries as high statemanship. We must say now that perhaps he made a mistake (in fact, he assuredly did) However, the cold political fact is that Chamberlain could no more have led England into war in 1938 than Roosevelt could have led the U.S. into war in 1940. If Chamberlain misjudged Hitler, he did not misjudge the temper of the times.

The problem of nuclear disarmament today really bears no relationship whatsoever to the Sudetenland squabble. The issues are in no way the same, although at this point I would prefer not to send you several pages of disquisition on why this is so. Be that as it may, the issues now are very much more complex and ultimately the price for failure would be a war which would be more than the Bad Thing or Bloody Nuisance which Chamberlain had to contemplate: it would instead be a global disaster. The demonstrations and other manifestations of widespread public concern simply point to the overriding fact in this mess: we all have a common interest in not being incinerated.

That is not to say that the Ban-the Bomb crowd has any monopoly on truth. They tend to overestimate the willingness of the Great Powers to use nukes, and they tend to overestimate the ease with which the use of tactical nukes might degenerate into an exchange of city-smashers. So they are probably much more worried than they need to be.

On the other hand, the need for nukes, in terms of numbers, is being grossly overestimated. Somehow there is this peculiar tendency to count warheads and give a presumption of "victory" to the one with the larger number. But nukes are not tanks or battalions. They don't go out on the battlefield and oppose each other, so in terms of numbers once you have enough you don't need more, no matter how many your opponent has. This is the problem with a simplistic mind such as Reagan's he apparently can't grasp that. Neither can the coneheads who seem to be in charge of the USSR's military machine. There are presently more than enough nukes in Europe to oppose Soviet infantry and tank columns (that is, wipe them out) and have plenty left over to hold Soviet civilian centers in ransom... not counting the ICBM and ICB arsenal in North America. What counts now...has been the only thing that counts for quite some time... is the technological sophistication of the delivery system, not numbers of warheads. Reagan therefore has nothing to lose (other than face) by accepting a "freeze"

I can recall when a ban on above ground testing was being debated in terms almost identical to the rhetoric surrounding the "freeze" debate...opponents of the ban were assuring us all that this would insure Soviet "superiority" and they'd walk all over Europe and us. Amazing how all those doom and gloom predictions were conveniently forgotten when the ban materialized and the horrid consequences didn't. I'd suggest that the only thing we will get from a freeze will be a world one step closer to a sanity and a safety it has not known for a century.

((Rod, you will never know how much I appreciate your keeping the response so concise. Eventhough the sentiment in Britain was to not aggravate Nazi Germany the fault still lies with Chamberlain as he was the Prime Minister at that time. About the point of the world having too many mukes. I'm certain most people would agree, even Ken Jingoizian. However Ken's point last month was on the manner of Europeans demonstrating against the U.S. and simply ignoring Soviet policies.))

Next are a few comments from Michel Leisnard (Belgium)

JINGOZIAN, huh? Really, Woody, your lack of imagination disappoints me!

But what disappoints me even more is the manicheism of so many Americans. True, we haven't to be overproud of a CHAMBERLAIN, nor of a DALADIER, but have your history books been rewritten by the KGB that they omit President WILSON's naivety, Franklin D. ROOSEVELT's great performance at Yalta, or Jimmy "Who" CARTER's splendid sentence "I've realised the Russians are liars"...?

Moreover, it is untrue to say or write that European pacifists are protesting against U.S. missiles only. We are well conscious of the threat Russian SS-20's are imposing us, but we are also well conscious of the fact that basing your Cruise or Pershing II missiles in our backyards will make said backyards even nicer targets if ever war breaks out. And we, much more than you, have experienced what a war can be...

All along this century, thousands and thousands Europeans have died for Democracy. And we are not such cowards as to refuse to fight again for the ideal of Freedom and Justice. But we are becoming more and more convinced that we - the Western World - are not always standing on the right side.

The communist vision of economy has resulted into a total and dramatic failure. But, despite what a Tommy SWIDER might write, capitalism hasn't been a success either. Or should one consider a success the fact that capitalism applied to education has resulted into your 23 million illiterates? That capitalism applied to urbanism has led to being mugged in the 5th Avenue? That capitalism applied to ecology has led to acid rains? That capitalism applied to Latin America has given birth to the "National Security" doctrine, its schools of torture and the "disappearing" of so many Argentines... And, finally, that capitalism applied to the largest part of this planet makes that a child dies of starvation every minute?

((sorry to disappoint you Michel but Ken Jingoizian is anything but a product of my imagination. His response to you is below. By the way Jingoizian is an Armenian name meaning something like genie eyes))

From Ken Jingoizian

As the author of the recent article about the peace movement currently taking place in Europe (as well as elsewhere including the USA) I feel compelled to respond to the letters you have received expressing other points of view. Though I usually leave my articles unsigned, I now humbly admit to authoring other articles appearing in COA, including letters from the leper, a lobotomy operation and others. Like these, the article on the European peace movement was conceived for fun, but also represented my genuine opinion, as an after-thought though somewhat exaggerated.

The point, I suppose, to reiterate, was that there are few if any demonstrations against the rather overt policies of the Soviet Union. If we assume that the USA and the USSR are both equally guilty for escalating the arms race during the last 5 years (and this is a lot considering the USA being lead by a borderline dove named Jimmy Carter during the bulk of time), why is the USA invariably the target of such demonstrations.

What bothers me most is that I'm getting a little tired of seeing international noses being thumbed at America. For all our mistakes and all of our fopahs, I believe that we, as a nation, stand for something good in the world. Whether it be our unequalled contribution to the IMF and the U.N., our countless humanitarian effort or even the planning for the defense of the West. (it must be done no matter how distasteful) I think we generally mean well. (as well as any nation can given their own national interests) I don't think we can say quite the same thing about the Soviet Union. Finally recent history has shown that pacifism has frequently lead to aggressor opportunities. Strength it seems, rather than weakness, more often preserves peace. ((So you see Michel Ken is an honest to good real person from New Jersey. Some time I'll write about all the things he has done to embarrass himself))

Last weekend was MaryCyn in Virginia. I don't have time to write much about it in this issue. Mark Fassio was there and he wants me to write his biography. So hopefully I'll get that done in the next issue. For the record Tom "Fastfingers" Mainardi kept his record intact by stabbing some poor girl, her last name was Strong. I saw how she was working with Tom and warned her about his reputation. One hour later she told me I was right he stabbed her! How many tournament victims does this make Tom?

#### Yet another PAT HART DIPSCRIPTION

NAME: John Caruso	SEX: Summer only
NICKNAME: Grizzly	EYES: Snarly
HOME: A Cave	HAIR: FURRY
BIRTH DATE: Records not kept on Animals	LOOKS:: Burley
BIRTH SIGN: New York ZOO	
NOTED FOR: Pubber of Whitestonia	AMBITION: Head writer for Whitestonia
TURN ON : 1/2 of the Italian Connection	TURNOFF: His real name- Caruzinsky
FAVORITE SERIES: Life and times of Grizzly Adams	FAVORITE MOVIE: Grizzly
FAVORITE SINGER: Enriquo Caruso	FAVORITE PHRASE: It's Dipdom, not hobby!
VOCATION: Proof reader for Readers Digest	FAVORITE SONG: Teddy Bear (Elvis Presley)
FAVORITE IDOL: Winnie the Pooh	FAVORITE PROTEGE: Fast Fingers Mainardi
FAVORITE POEM: John Caruso dislikes Perkers:	Only consorting with New Yorkers:
	His Rep is one that is gruff: Nahhh! Just picture him in the buff.

I almost forgot about East con the weekend of June 25th. The dip tournament will be run by Robert Sacks. But don't let that stop you from going. It is being held in south Jersey on the Glassboro state college campus. You can get info by wrting Game Fair Eastcon PO box 139 Middletown, NJ 07748. Al Pearson claims he is even going to bring his Clay o rama rules so maybe we can get in a game of that!

Don Williams is running yet another contest in his subzine Fiat Bellum. Several months ago he ran a contest with the prize being a condy bar (winner's choice). Unfortunately he never paid up. Why we participants even called ombudsmen. I used Dick Martin. Dick ruled that Don owed me a candy bar plus 3 extra candy bars the aggravation he caused. Dick also told Don that he had to give Dick as a ombudsman a candy bar or 5. Several months later I am still waiting and Roach Williams still has not sent out the prizes from the last contest. Yet he thinks I should enter his new contest. Well Roach can forget that! If you care to question Roach's ethics write him at 217-C Kaye Ct. Redlands, Ca 92373

I've been invited to play in another invitational game of Dip. This time in Murd'ring Minister. The last invitational game I was in was one from Whitestonia. The thing was a fake. Even the BNC was in on it. I didn't play Germany for a year after that! If this one is a fake I'll take Gary Coughlan to Bakersfield, Ca in October instead of Europe!

Hello, everyone! Welcome to Issue 2 of GALLANT KNIGHT! Can any of you think of a better name for my subzine? I can, seeing how that toad Woody was the bozo who named it that, anyway! I've decided this issue I'll call it ESAD. What do those initials stand for, readers? Any smarties out there?

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CONTEST      CONTEST      CONTEST

First person to correctly tell me what the above initials (ESAD, for the slow) stand for receives, free, from me, a BIG SURPRISE! What is it, Uncle Markie? Sorry kiddies, you have to win before you'll find out.

I'll let you in on a secret, though--if Kathy Cunning or some other woman of distinction correctly guesses it (or even incorrectly guesses), they will be the lucky winner of 7 days and 700 NIGHTS in luxurious, scenic, Wedgefield, South Carolina. Tell her what she'd do, Don Pardo!

(Don's voice) Lady, when you win, you'll be flown by Piedmont Airlines to bustling Columbia Metropolitan Airport, and then driven in your very own mule-cart to Wedgefield, SC. You'll reside in the Lovely Wedgefield Mansion known as "Melrose," where your guest for the occasion, "Mark," will cater to your every need. Yes, Ladies, truly worth entering the contest for, wouldn't you say??? So send in your guesses today!

Thanks, Don Pardo. OK, on to other goodies on page 1 of (ESAD)!

State of the South Message: Borrowing from Mazzer's Mark Berch Dept, I will periodically comment on my environment down here.

Current state: the South blows. Period.

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HOBBY POLL      HOBBY POLL

Hobby POLL: John Michalski

Alternate Hobby Poll: Vote today for YOUR choice of Honeymoon site for myself and Margie, come June. Yes, this is semi-legit; I want to hear your opinions on "where to go ((watch it!))" for my connubial bliss. I have an idea, but I want to see what "mainstream Dindom" is thinking! First entries to receive will be thrown on my coffee table for a couple months. I hate prompt people.



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JOKE of the zine: Gary Coughlan

So, Faz, a lot of you are probably saying (T/F)---what do you have for us this issue? What, says I, the above isn't enough? God, what else do I have to do??? Well, then, I have a game opening: 1983BFD (most of you know what BFD stands for--it's my opinions of hobby polls). Unlike Lying Woody of last ish, I started my game early. Send me your money for game starts, anytime, but don't be surprised if you never hear from me again.

So, with all the trivia out of the way, let's get on with the zine. The next page contains the Premier Game of Fazdom--- so pull up a chair, grab that Lysol-and-Scotch you've been nursing, and watch the action unfold.....

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ES  AD 

These are the backgrounds of the layers in my first game; I'm certainly in awe of all of them, and after reading their auto~~graphs~~ biographies, you will be too!

France (Larry McCloud): Known as a cross-gamer, Larry has earned himself the nickname of 'Cross,' or, symbolically, "X." He was in a game with the rock group ZZ Top a few years back, and they were so impressed with him they dedicated a song to him: "I heard it on the X." He recently stabbed himself in the bathroom with a pair of scissors, trying to trim the peachfuzz from his face. He became so irate over the stab that he's currently cross-gaming against himself.

Italy (Gary Doughlan) The Mouth of the South, the Memphis Flash, and a host of other less-complimentary names identify the Confederacy's biggest "Name" in the hobby. Gary literally begged me to let him be in my prewar game, even to the point of offering me Elsie for a night! True enthusiasm on his part. This man has a great future ahead of him---but not in this game, or even the country. He deserves to pump gas at a self-serve station in Texas (that's another country, isn't it?)...maybe Singapore, then. Anywhere just leave, Gomer.

England (Kathy Byrne) La Femme Fatale, good ol' "Third Degree Byrne," is no stranger to the Dip Hobby. As the mother of Steve Aramodan and Tommie Apple Spider, she got her game training early. Becoming a sharrie at the go (sharrie, as in knives, axes, and other stabbing utensils) Kathy is rumored to be running a call-girl ring in the Lower Flushing area, to keep up with her monthly stamp bill. Rumor has it that numerous Californians (ha ha ha) are part of the ring. What about it, gays, I mean guys???

Russia (Mark Leadi) Mark, or as he's known in the Midwest, "Quay" Leadi, is rumored to have finished second in the "Better Heads" Contest, sponsored in Bloomington, Indiana. He finished second to the head on a bottle of flat Stroh's. Mark, a miserable failure in everything he tries, will nonetheless find it hard to finish last in this game, due to the appearance of

Turkey (Steve Aramodan) The man who made Eastern PA the hovel that it is today has had quite a long career in the hobby--all of it uniformly miserable. I've seen toasters with better IQ, I've seen better heads in the Lettuce Department. Woody's best game is when he plays ~~with~~ against himself, and even then he finishes second. His smartest move: as England, he ordered "F Lusitania-torpedoed." What else do you expect from Philadelphia and the King of Aquariums?

Germany (Dick Martin) Rumored to be marketing the Amway version of Diplomacy, called "Bi-plomacy", the game involves...well, YOU figure it out. Suffice it to say that Dick will play Germany for the chump that Hitler did.

Austria-Hungary (Mark Fassio) Probably one of the more luminous characters around. Rumored to be brighter than a K-Mart 20 watt refrigerator bulb, "Faz the Spaz" has made a name for himself everywhere he's been---most of them in Post Office. Wanted photos. Faz is a "consistent" player--he hate everyone, does consistently amazing for what little intellect God gave him, and is quite benevolent outside of the Dip hobby, also. Here in the ghetto known as South Carolina (or just plain "The South"), Mark has invited Pat Ho and Gary Doughlan to be Human Targets for an Air Force Napalm Test, actually willing to pay them the unheard-of-in-the-South wage of \$1.50/hour! This man knows no bounds..OK, guys, just lay on that bulls-eye.....

France (Larry McCloud) A Mar-Gas, A Lar-Bur, F Bre-hold  
 Italy (Gary Coughlan) A Birmingham-Tri (NSU), A Richmond-Apulia (NSU!),  
 F Shreveport-Ion (NSU!!!)  
 England (Kathy Byrne) F Edi-Nwg, A Lpl-prepares for convoy to America,  
 F Lon-Lon  
 Russia (Mark Leudi) F St. Pete's-sails down thirty miles of bad water  
 A Nos-travels on Thirty Miles of Bad Road  
 A Ukr-Milwaukee to see Paul  
 F Sev-duh\*\* (dislodged...retreat to the Outer Limits)  
 Turkey (Mr. Zero) F Ank-Con, (A Smy S F Ank-Con), A Con-yells at Passio  
 Germany (Dick Martin) NMR \*\*\*\*\* all units annihilated by order of GM  
 Austria (Mr Fantastic) A Vie-Mun, A Bid-Ven, F Tri-Sev

Game Critique: It's obvious even to the most imbecilic of people that this game is living up to its title of "The Losers Game." To paraphrase Churchill, "Never has so little been done by so many in so short a time." Truly some bozo players. Germany's NMR was ruled proper by the GM (Passio) in his FRs, Section 3, Appendix 9, Subsection 69.7, Tab 4, Sentence 6, Line 2.3 (thanks for the Houserule advice, Brux). Sorry, Dick. Anyway, that houserule (what? you don't have my houserules? You need them, players! Send \$45.00 today), anyway, the houserules thereby allow one player to capitalize on a NMR---the rules, I believe, all for a short handsome Italian to get all the centers of an NMR'ing power...I'm not sure, but I'll look it up and get back to you all.

Anyway, it looks as if Byrne stabbed herself in London, after her initial lie to herself: Tricky, Kath..I'm sure you fooled yourself. She also seems to be heading northwest, towards America, ready for those centers, too! God Love her, huh, fellow gamers????

Larry is busy ~~persuading~~ himself, in revenge for his earlier stab. ~~to himself~~. I look for him to ally with Kathy, given their parallel strategies.

Gary is in another world, and has invalidated his moves by trying to re-name the board. I'm asking for private tutors to help Gary read and comprehend the board. Any suckers volunteers?

Mark Leudi is obviously excited about his debut zine, and it shows in his play. Perhaps he should go out and play in "Thirty Miles of Bad Road," with trucks coming down his lane.

Steve Arnahochian, Loserus Supremus, has successfully attacked his own center. This is a quantum leap over his earlier games, where such sur ort against himself usually failed. I therefore raise his IQ up 10 points. Woody is now in the "Cro-Magnon" Stage of development.

Passio continues to take advantage of tricky game rules and his own GMing, and is off to a fast start as Austria. Truly a sex machine.....

Jress (Lon) "Dear President of the USA: I'll just pass through Washington, DC in spring, and then vacate it--honest! I need an ally! They're all ganging up on me. Help!" Love, your sweetiekins, Kathy.



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Italy (Hyork, hyork, hyork: ((What are you trying to say, Gary?? Are you hungry? Want something to drink? Does anyone know how to speak Memphis-talk?

(France) Nothing mailed, received, or commented on. A miracle I sent out my moves.

(Russia) oh boy oh boy, I just wanna thank everyone who's subbed to my zine, and it's called Thir...((OK, Mark, back to your room, that's a good fella, come on)).

Germany (Dick Martin) I refuse to lower myself to such juvenile actions on the part of some (anonymous) people, and I'll be asking for my ombudsman for possible GM misconduct. Look for a 16-page letter to each of you from me: ((GM: requests for ombudsman denied. Hit the road.))

(Turkey) I did it! I did it! Ha ha ha, I took a center, oh boy, oh boy! Now I don't have to endure the Olsen-Woody theme of "Dip Losers;" I'm one of the in-crowd of tactical geniuses. ((Wrong, oh violator of goldfish. You will never be "in" to anything, except perhaps "in-sane," "in-cognito," or IN-finite! a scuzbag. I can't express the level of hate we all have for you.))

Well, gang, that's it for Issue 2 of ESAD (I ~~will~~ <sup>will</sup> to change my zine title every issue or so---maybe even every page or so. What's in a name, right?). For those of you who want to sub, please send in a 50.00\$ NER fee, and a 400\$ game fee. Issues are 10/60,000,000 lira (you convert), and I have game openings in the following:

Dix for Dix (entered: Greg Stewart, 6 times. Need 1 player to fill game).  
Jello Diplomacy (entered: Hippo Hirs, Judge, Spanky, Gurly, Shemp and Stymie; need 1 player. Preferably a huge, chubby fellow, although we'll take anyone who pays, at this stage).

Pin the Tail on the Southern Cow (entered: Coughlan, Hart, Lee, Jackson, Beauregard, Conlon. Need one other hoser)..

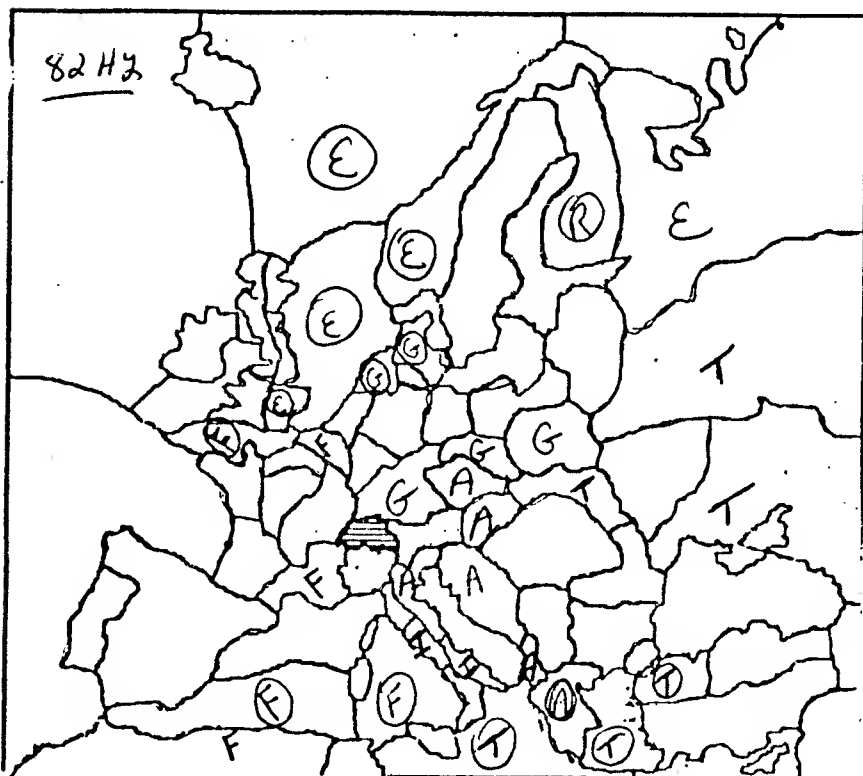
Don't forget to turn to this section in Woody's next (pathetic) issue of COA; I'll be here, because I'm just like Ferrer...easy to get, hard to get rid of. Live long and prosper! *And Don't Forget To* **ESAD!**

Yes I admit that I Woody faked Gallant Knight a new zine by Fassio. I even got a few people to write Faz about his new undertaking, like ragsdale and Schilling and White! One thing I will say for Faz' ESAD it is typed as well as Berch's Dip Digest! Berch has been looking for someone to type DD for him. Perhaps Fassio is the one! I also notice that Faz left out his address, it's Melrose Lodge #4 Wedgefield, SC 29168.



82 HY Tortellini spring '03 Rags' southern advances halted as Faz lucks out with all units moving as Faz so desited!

AUSTRIA (DIAMOND) A Ven-Pie, A Tri-Tyo, A Gal- Boh, A Vie S A Gal-Boh, A Alb-Apu, F Gre- Alb  
ENGLAND (ROBINSON) F nth- H, F Lon-Wal, F Nwg S F Nth, F Bar- Nwy, A Stp S Turkish A Sev- Mos  
FRANCE (HOWERTON) A Bel-Wal, F Eng C A Bel- Wal, A Mar-Pie, A Spa- Naf, F Wes C A Spa- Naf  
F Tyh- Rom  
GERMANY (RAGS) A Mun- Tyo, A Boh S A Mun- Tyo (Defeated & smashed), A Ber- Sil, A War S  
A Ber- Sil, F Den- Swe, F Hel- H  
ITALY (NEUBAUER) A Rom- Ven, A Apu S A Rom- Ven  
RUSSIA (OSBORNE) F Fin- Swe, A Mos- Stp(Defeated- Ret to Lvn, Ukr, Otb, Bengla Desh)  
TURKEY (FAZ) A Rum-Gal, A Sev- Mos, A Arm- Sev, F Bla-Con, F Smy- Aeg, F Ion C Austrian  
A Alb- Apu



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RUSSIA-Con No, it'll teach me not to play Russia, offer a true and game long alliance to a no good backstabber.

GM- Det: At least you understand Faz and his tactics, if I were you I'd just attack him in any game I was in with him.

RUSSIA-BER: Da, vat ist it? You have not reached a disconnected number.

LONDON: This is the European Service of Radio Free London, an international Dept. of the BBC. Today the crown and govt. expressed their congrats to Sultan Fazzabad on his impending marraige, and wished him the best of luck, May his honeymoon be wild! Expressed also was their satisfaction with the Turkish understanding and the firm hope that future activities can be co-ordinated. Again congratulations on your marraige, Fas.

LONDON-Moscow; Running dog imperiaalist communist slime Russia, eat flaming death and die!

GM: That's exactly what I have planned to happen to Faz at MaryCon!

LONDON; Hope to see you all at Mary Con, have a good summer.

GM: Oh good you'll be at MaryCon too! Let's get into a game of Dip with Faz! You WILL help me against him or you will NMR in this game!

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LONDON-Italy: O Brave Italina, where are the glories and legions of Rome? Good luck.

CON: The great Oklahoma Land push is on! Fleets of every nation are rushing to the Med, to scarf up chioce Italian real estate while it is available! Turkish F Con will not be denied.

CON-Fra: Bob, save some for me! No one likes gluttons and we wouldn't wan you getting indigestion, now would we?

Con-Ger: Lesse--Berlin...hmm, I'll wager it goes to Silesia. To shore up your defensive wall, most likely. Did I get you help into Moscow?

GM-Con: Of course not just how dumb do you think Rags is?!

CON-Aus: Pow! Socko! That'll teach those hunns, eh? I stand ready to help as always. We Balkan boys have to stick together, you know.

CON-Eng; DID I get your help at least? In the service, we call such second nation support "redundancy". It helps. Now we can co-ordinate moves! oh Goody goody!!

LONDON-Deutschland: Let's spin a few records here. "Why can't we be friends..." "Deutschland, Deutschland uber alles, uber alles in die welt...pero no sobre England, Ecomprededes Alemanias"

LONDON-Fra: For some strange reason I don't trust your intentions, want to talk?

CON-Ita: Silence is NOT golden, your fleabag nation needs to communicate with people, even if just to say "rot off".

Con-Russia; You are beyond help Debradushka. I suggest political asylum.

LON-Aus; I've always had strong positive feelings about Austria! Perhaps Eng and the dual monarchy can work together?

LONDON: IN four weeks there will be elections! Prime Minister Robinson is wooried about a certain lady What's her name? the Iron...what?

LONDON-GM: What does Tortellini mean, pray tell?

GM: Why not ask Faz? I had the dish once. It's some strange type of pasta. Tastes strange too!

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PASTA FACIOLE Winter '02 Lazy players request separation and endanger their positions by aggravating GM

AUSTRIA (SUITOR) RETREAT A Rum- Gal, A Bud retreats OTB, Remove F Gre, has A Vie, A Rum

ENGLAND (SLOSSAR) Build Lon, A Edi, also has A Swe, F Ska, F Hol, F Nth

FRANCE (DAVIS) BUILD F Bre, F Mar also has A Ruh, A Mun, A Bur, F Bel, F Por

GERMANY (SALESKI) EVEN has A Ber, F Den, A Pru

ITALY (CUNNING) Build A Ven, Also has A Bud, A Tri, A Boh, F Nap, F Ion

RuSSIA (MONTONARO) Even has F Stp (sc), F Sev, A Ukr, A Sil

TURKEY (ANGLE) Build F Smy also has A Ser, A Bul, F Bla, A Con, A Smy

The deadline for spring '03 is tues June 28 (NOON)

Also Tom Mainardi has been called as a stand-by for Russia. If Montonaro does not send in spring orders Tom will have the position. His address is 1403 Lawrence Rd. Havertown, Pa 19083

Change of addresses Sam Davis 109 Greenleaf Enid, Ok 73701

Terry Suitor 239 N.E. Steiger St. Grants Pass, Or 97526

Old addresses Steve Arnawoodian 602 Hemlock Cr. Lansdale, Pa. 19446 (215) 6997659

Cathy Cunning 1603 NE 50th St. Seattle, WA 98105

Steve Angle 843 Hereford Way Schenectady, Ny. 12309

BOOB Slossar 14 Buck Hill Huntington, CT. 06484

Larry Saleski 1935 Davis Wyandotte, Mi 48192

Ralph Montonaro 2 Lookout Rd. Greenville, Ri 02828

The proposal for Ms. Cunning to give in to my wishes and stay with me at Origins passed, unanimously!

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AUSTRIA-World: See if I ever get into this game again, maybe I should send in more moves at 1:00 AM it didn't hurt last time.

GM-Aus: Next time just learn how to bribe the GM!

ENG-Gm; I Vote against conceding anything to but me to goddess Cathy.

GM: Forget it Sloppy she's conseding to me!

SWITZ. Oh where, oh where, shall the French Fleet go

Oh where, oh where will it be

In Bre to attack the northern foe or in Mar. to attack the Wop

GM: I think I'm going to put together a book on Dip poetry. It's so imaginative!

ENG-Italy: How could you say the romance id over? Don't tell me you've chosen the honorary

P.R., WOODY, Teddy Bear, Woody, Steve etc. etc. over me. How could you.

WOODY-Slossar: She did it because she is bright, witty, cultured, everything you are NOT.

Also I am the only one who can guarantee her a win in this game!

SLOSSAR-GM: How dare you give Cathy more demerits than me! Everyone knows I'm far more insulting than she is, how can you give a goddess more demerits than a lawyer to be? you're giving the legal profession a bad nsme. Only an idiot like you would give a sweet girl like Cathy more demerits than a pest like me.

GM: Boring simpletons have trouble earning demerits, like you and Steve Angle!

SLOSSAR-GM: You're so dumb you think Don Williams is a good GM. (that should be good for 500 demerits)

GM: Now I know why your name is Boob! That comment is purely and 100% stupid! You see I play under Williams! (his only plus is he doesn't use Linsey's house rules)

SLOSSAR-Saleski: Don't get a big head because Woody says you play Germany better than he does, everybody plays Germany better than Woody does, come to think of it everybody plays Germany, Aus, Eng, Fra, Ita and Russia better than Woody. But I've got to hand it to Woody he is the tops at being a Turkey.

GM-Slossar: Of course you are not included in the above atatement, as you a 'nobody'.

GM-Board: Care to lose this game? Then ally with Slossar.

WOODY-Slossar: It seems like the state of Conn. is hard up for Lawyers. Proof of this is your admission into law school. Why you are even too low on the human scale to be considered for employment as a gov't drone

MUNICH-World: It was spring at last and the city of Munich was celebrating the Festival of Fasching, the masque celebration of life. The bedrooms and beer halls resounded with lusty good cheer and the streets were full of dancers and entertainers.

The door opened slowly and D'Artagnon had to give it one more heave. At last the cause of the resistance was revealed, the blood drenched body of a masked revele lay against the jamb. As the Marquis stared in stunned silence, Voody brusquely moved inside remarking "Ah tis a dark business bwst left to those who know its art." AT once D'Artagnon stiffened and moved back out into the moonlit garden. After a momment, Voody joined him.

"An Englishmen by the look of his cloth and the make of his suit. And, he had the mark just as if had been described. Been dead about 2 hours."

D'Artagnon interrupted, "you're positive that he did not meet his contact or that a postal drop had not been arranged?"

"Oh yes," Voody replied, "in this business we watch both ends and double check, he was killed before he made contact. We only lost him for three hours but no one contacted him, They got nothing for their trouble."

"Then report to our heavenly father and tell him I said the double helix is safe unless there is something you haven't told me?"

Voody said nothing and both men and their followers moved into the darkness and light at the Schwabing District...

Woody- Saleski: Larry since you are the closest thing to being normal in the Pasta game can you translate the above story?

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RAVIOLI winter '05, Spring '06 '82 AZ Michalski rapidly losing 'Doormat' reputation

ENGLAND NBR! plays one short// ITALY builds A Ven, A Rom, F Nap  
TURKEY Removes A Con// RUSSIA A Gal retreats A Gal-War, Removes F Hel

ENGLAND (HIGHTOWER) NMR!! F Swe Holds

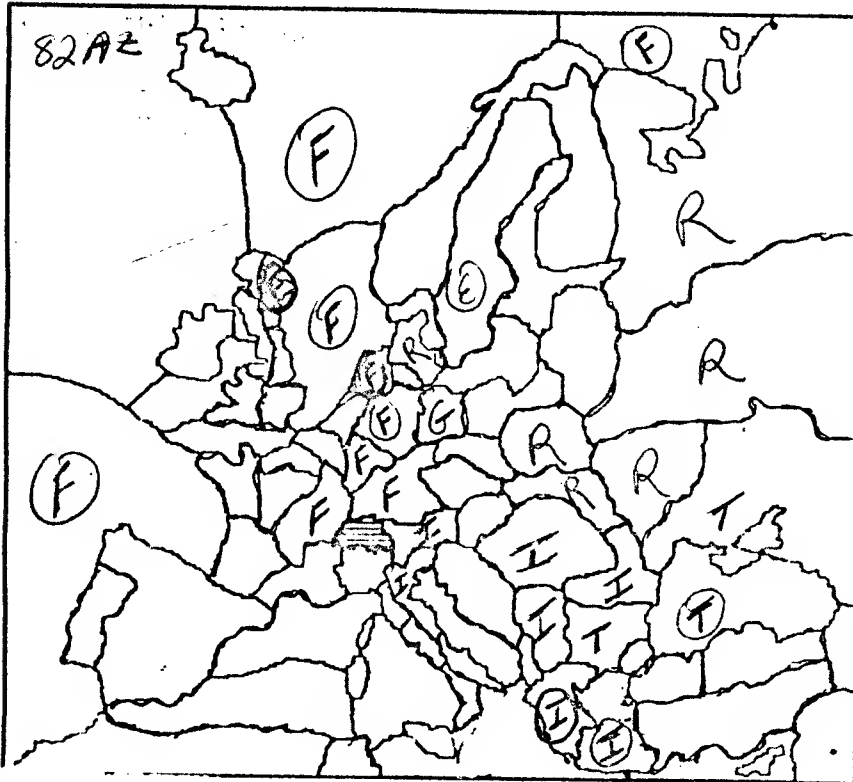
GERMANY (CHEFCHIA) NMR!! A Mun H (defeated retreat to Boh, Sil, OTB) A Ber H

FRANCE (MICHALSKI) F Hol-Kie, F Eng S F Lon- Nth, F Nwg- Bar, F Lon-Nth, F Nth- Hel, A Bur  
S A Kie-Mun, A Ruh S A Kie-Mun, A Kie-Mun, F Mid-H, F Cly-Edi

ITALY (PETERS) A Gal- Ukr (defeated retreat to Vie, Boh, OTB), A Ven-Tyo, A Rom-Ven,  
F Ion-Aeg, F Gre S F Ion-Aeg, F Nap- Ion, A Ser-Rum, A Bud-Ser, A Vie-Bud

RUSSIA (HOSS) A Nwy-Stp, A Stp-Mos, A Den-Swe, A ukr S A Rum- Gal, F Sev-Rum (annihilated)  
A Rum-Gal, A War S A Rum-gal

TURKEY (GIVAN) F Aeg-Gre, (Defeated Retreat to Smy, Con, OTB), A Bul S Italian A Ser-Rum,  
F Bla S A Arm-Sev, A A'm-Sev



The deadline for Fall '06 is Wdds June  
29 NOON to Steve Arnawoodian 602  
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PRESS

MOORE-GM: Know why I'm in such good  
shape? I'm allied to everyone except  
Ger and Hoss. And I'm honoring all  
those alliances!

GM- Moore: Well give you a gold Star!  
TURKEY-World: The "Madison Mafia",  
alias "The gang of three", alias  
"Mad City Mad Dogs" have infiltrated  
one of their despicable bounders into  
the very pages of this game. Forget  
your petty diferences and unite to  
defeat the scum from the land of  
milk and beer! Well... the milk part  
at least.

TURKEY-Aus: Who was that masked unit?  
The Lone Red Block?

CCN-Par: Please do not confuse my  
Italian master. He thinks you are  
not attacking him, and I am.

GM: Confuse Peters? big deal he can't  
even cross the street without confusion.

CON-Rom: Two it was, too.

ITALY-GM: So the bribe market is still open eh? I offer one bottle of Chivas (or any other  
flavor you favor) to have Hightower immediately and mysteriously lose any remaining dots  
he might own. That would be worth even more than a win or draw.

GM-Italy: IDIOT!! Scotch does not come in flavors, it's not brandy or Kool-aid. However I  
do prefer BRANDS 'Black & White' or J&B, that is if NMRing the simp is good enough!

VEN-Bre: And just when I thought you might be a decent person, you threaten to foist  
Highball's press on us whether he lives or not. Ok Bud, if that's the way you're gonna  
be the bad jokes will just keep on coming. This months entry: Q. How do you know  
when your woman has been having an affair with an elephant? A. When she sits on a bar  
stool, she goes all the way down to the floor!

GM-Ven: Michalski thinks that is class, remember he lives in Oklahoma

ITALY-Board: Hope I'm being a good enough of a villään. It's what Woody expects of me.  
And he has so very little going for him it's the least I can do for the poor guy.  
(your ass is still mine in 82 IK, though)

WOODY-Peters: You mean like the way Michalski's ass was yours : at Pudgecon?

For the record, one thing I do have going for me is I am the GM of this game! Give  
me one game year and I can make your position make Pearson's Russia look like heaven!

Welcome to ...

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# STRANGE DOINGS

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that oasis in the desert that is Coat of Arms. Brought to you by Mike Mazzer of 1338-B Harvard St, Santa Monica, Ca 90404. Sometimes reachable at (213) 828-1085. This is perhaps the only place ~~with~~ where you can see Bob Olsen with more than two units.

If this were a sub-zine, you would see caustic wit, clashes of strong-willed hobby personalities, character assassination, philosophical discussions, political diatribes and treatises on strategy and tactics. But noooo ... this is not a sub-zine, and what you get is the winners of the "Imitation Olsen Press" contest. ... The envelope please!

The winner is.....GARY COUGHLAN !!!

OK, have you all caught your breaths yet? If so, I'd like to congratulate Gary for his superb entry which appeared in last month's SD, carefully blended with real Olsen press ~~sonx~~ that I defy even Bob to tell the real from the bogus. Gary wins, are you ready for this, a dinner at PudgeCon on yours truly and... a date with Amanda! (When she's 18. And he has to bring her home by 10.)

Before I get too involved, I'd like to wish Kathy Byrne all the best. I hear that she's about to go under the knife again, and I think I'm not too far out of line in speaking for everyone who appear in these pages in wishing her a quick and complete recovery. I also throw in this "nice guy" paragraph since my attempt to stir up a feud by insulting everyone in the game was totally ignored. So you asked for it, no more Mr Bad Guy! Unless you want a full page story on my adorable puppy dog, ~~zor~~ a list of the cute things my kdd did last month, I better get some feuding, mudslinging and bitter recriminations. Unless you want me to lead you in our monthly prayer and news of Santa Monica Rotary Club happenings, I better get some hostility from you people. This non-subzine is only as libelous and contentious as you make it, so unless you want my recipe ~~xx~~ for butter-milk pancakes, you all better get on the stick. You have been warned.

Speaking of being mealy-mouthed, Bob Olsen is running a contest in these pages (a con-test, he calls it) to name the gathering in Wichita this coming August. Why anyone would want to enter this stupid contest is beyond me, but my entries and Quasi-Olsen's are in the game press. Any others?

Culture Quiz: 1. In West Los Angeles there is an intersection of two boulevards, Pico and Sepulveda. What is the significance of that?  
2. Who is Barry Hanson? (No relation to Scott, I think.)

On to the game ...

He is dressed in tux and tails and sports a pail pink fedora. With great class, he takes a puff from his cigarette.

"Where are you boys heading this time of the night? There's bogey-men in these parts, you know. I can give you a lift if you tell me where you are going."

"Bogey-men?!"

"You boys should form a duet; you harmonize so well together. I'm in the business, you know. If you keep up with such things, Kansas punk is heading for the tops of the charts, thanks to me. Now, why don't you boys tell me where you're headed and hop in. I got a place to get to and dates to keep."

"Yeah. We're just going anywhere."

"No, Woody, we're going to Rotterberg's house, remember?"

"Well, boys, hop right in, I'll take you there. Thinking about dropping in on the old fuzz face myself. This will give me the added excuse. By the way, my names Olsen, but call me Vlad. You two look like you just got done shooting a mysterious 3 a.m visitor; glad to meet you, Oh, don't think about wiggling around too much in your seats. You might wake my scorpions."

"Glad to meet you, Vlad. Actually you can let us out at the next stop sign. Uh, Woody here is allergic to scorpions; hope you don't mind the short ride, thanks a lot, really obliged for the ride. Bye now."

"Now we have to walk! I'm not allergic to scorpions."

"You would be if one bit you."

"Meanwhile, the suave cool man with the pale pink fedora continues with his late night drive.

GM: And finally, here is a late report from the impresario of Kansas punk himself.

Olsen-Imitation Olsen: The premier punk band in Wichita is not the "False Prophets" (one might well call them the False Baalluu's) but rather the most appropriately named The Embarrassment. Remember that name, they're gonna be the next Beatles. (or the next False Prophets ... would you believe, the next Woody?) ((But will they play Madame Wong's West?))

Whew! That's quite enough for one weekend. Gosh are all those women really coming to PudgeCon? Not to mention the legendary Dixie Lee Grey, and her escort, Dr. Al Giddings? Right Al? This should indeed be fun, who needs Diplomacy?

Imitation Michalski Dept: Here's one a lddy friend of mine told me; What's white and greater than 12 inches long? Nothing.

Mark Berch Dept: Fair, warm and smoggy. Thank gawd, I can breathe again. All the fresh air from the winter rains was making me light headed.

Steve Langley Dept: My Karma is strong, my orgone is at an all time high, I'm Ok, You're Ok, and I'm self-actualizing nicely.

Until next month, take care and be sure to remember, all of you who wish to have a fighting chance in 82IK, that my birthday is June 9.

1982 IK

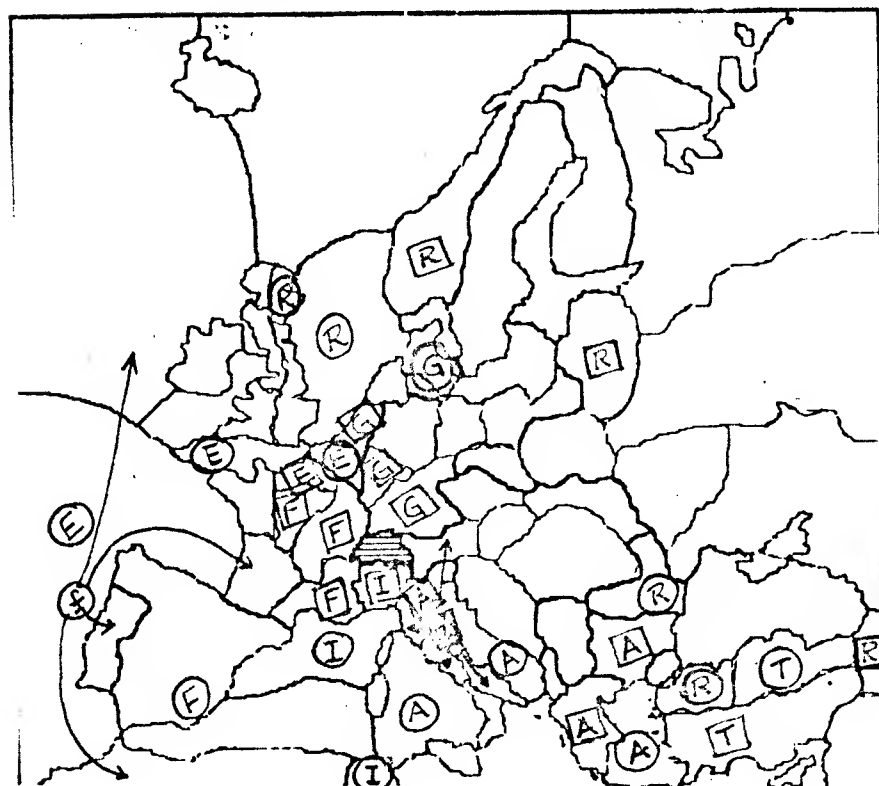
First PudgeCon Invitational

Fall '03

"I call this composition, SURROUNDED ITALY, From the air, you see that the entire Italian boot is surrounded by red wood blocks. I see this as a statement about the alienation of our time and the sexual ..."

1982 IK FALL '03

-Bob Olsen in an interview.



- Austria after bigger game still!
- England chooses wrong ally!
- French position takes a turn for the worse!
- Socialist movement in Scotland!
- Turks dwindle to a precious few!
- Blizzard turns Scandinavia white!
- Denmark finally surrenders!

Note that the French Fmao and the Italian A Ven are in retreat.

Autumn '03 Ger: A Bur r-MUN  
Eng: F Nth r-BEL

Fall '03

Aus (Olsen)	A GRE-Nap (Imp), F Ion-TYH, A BUL & F AEG S Rus
Eng (Hanson)	F Bla-Con, A Tri-VEN (F ADR S)
Fra (Rauterberg)	F BEL S A Pic, A PIC S F Bel, F Iri-MAO (FENG S)
Ger (Michalski)	F Mao-Bre (d/r-Nao, Gas, Por, Naf, OTB), A PAR-Bre,
Ita (Osuch)	A BUR & Eng A Pic-Bel (NSO), A MAR-Pie, F SPA(Sc)-Wes
Rus (Peters)	F Hel-DEM, A MUN-Bur, A RUH-Bel (A HOL S)
Tur (Woody)	F Wes-LYO, F TUN-Wes, A PIE-Mar, A Ven-Pie (d/ r-Tyo, Rom, Tus, Apu, OTB)
	F Bla-CON, F RUM-Bla, A Sev-ARM, A Mos-LVA, F Nth-EDI, F Nwy-NTH, A Swe-NWY
	A Arm-SMY (F Con &) (F Con Ani), F ANK-Bla

Zork: Friday, 24 June 1983 For Winter '03, Spring '04

Proposal: Concession to Russia NVR='no' (These are not Brux rules!)

*Handwritten signature and number 15*



# Supply Center Chart for Fall '03

	Retains	Gains	Loses	Has	Net
Aus	Home, Ser, Gre, Bul	Ven	-	7	Build 1
Eng	Lvp, Lon, Bel	-	Edi	3	Remove 1
Fra	Home, Spa, Por	-	-	5	Even or Build 1
Ger	Home, Hol	Den	-	5	Build 1
Ita	Rom, Nap, Tun	-	Ven	3	Remove 1 or Even
Rus	Home, Swe, Rum, Nwy	Con, Edi	-	9	Build 2
Tur	Ank, Smy	-	Con	2	Even (1 ann)

## Press:

Woody-GMX: Olsen or Memorex? They're wone and the same! Neither are real, neither can think for themself. ((For example ...))

Olsen-GM: I have waited until now to comment on this ludicrous contest ((Leudi-crous?)) to allow you and these fellow imbeciles of yours to tatally make assholes of yourselves, and lo, I hve not been disxappointed. I will be personally sure at Olgacon this August to crush you and feed you to the insects. Yes, I have cancelled the con-test, after all, my prñcess was going to win anyway ((the truth is out!)), so I decided to no go through the formalities of the con-test. I hereby demand that this game be renamed the "First Olgacon Invitational", and that Amanda be sent to my pricass in Flushing as the prize. (( That's a good way to lose your princess.)) What was I talking about again? ((Berch only knows.))

Amanda-82 IK: nvvvnmv, mvmcmc vmvmv, oubmzxxzj snrj fgyt3 jhhhn vvvc mfnw  
 bbbbbb bbonb b b d 6htygttt g nn nnnny ffffc x ff cxcccc.  
 cd xcdd s x xxxxxxxxxxxx.

GM-IK: The above was typed by Amanda. I hope you all take her words to heart.

Rosie-GM: Good God, is there any way to limit the amount of press from the Pudge? Isn't it bad enough I get several two-page letters from him each season, now I gotta read three pages of his press as well?!?  
 ((That ain't the half of it.))

Quasi-Olsen\*xto Mazzer: OK, Mike, why don't you tell me the secret formula for writing imitation Olsen press? You never thal me anything, and then you stab me. Your guilt will accumulate to the point that even Mark Berch wouldn't dare listen to your confessions. Ask Kitten. One of these days, Mike, I'm going to turn the tables on you and you'll be sorry you stabbed me so many times;; and nobody will take pity on you because of all the cruel, mean, (not to mention nasty, inconsiderate, vile, foul, sneaky, morose, ismdious, evil, rotten k, really rotten, scandaloud, wretched, gross, insolent, abominable, etc. infinitum) things you have done to me, the uprighteous ((sic)) hero of all America. Yes young Mazzerman will have to learn the hard way just how mortal he is!

Olsen-GM: I think your next contest should be for "imitation Michalski press". Oh sure, John has dashed off a few tired lines here and there, but his heart is not in it. After all he's much more interested in the Son of Mass Murders game where he gets to stab you (I'll fight the man who says Toots is not committedx to socia} justice!) I'll start; The Pope, Richard Simmons and a donkey were stranded on a desert island andb ... arggh, that's too gross. Sorry. Well, maybe Osuch can send something in. ((An "imitation Michalski" contest would be a lot less typing.))

Aus-GM: The imitation Olsen press last time was great!x Even I couldn't tell Gary wrote it! As Rhett Butler once said, "Frankly my dear, ya'all ya'all, ya'all!" ((What imitation Olsen press?))

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GM: Here's some more "imitation Michalski".

Switzerland: So this guy was in bed with this woman who said she was insatiable. Well, they get going and she starts moaning "Deeper. Deeper." Not knowing what else to do, the guy sticks his hand in and then his whole arm, all the way up to the shoulder, and she still moans "Deeper. Deeper." So the guy puts his arms above his head and dives right in, soon his head is inside and she's still moaning, "Deeper. Deeper." So he crawls in all the way, gets up and starts walking around. Soon he runs into this other guy and asks if he knows how to get out. "Yeah" he says, "I could get out of here easy if I could just find my truck. ((% 5.8, 5.8, 5.7, 5.9, 5.7, 5.7. Not bad scores!!)) (( And ...))

Germany: I'm a little scumbag, long and thin

This is my nipple, this is my skin

Woody put me on and came right in (me)

I'm a little scumbag, long and thin.

Woody: I resent having my name used in that disgusting song of Michalski. Please change it or I'll censor it in my zine. Put in Hanson's ~~xx~~ he doesn't even know what a scumbag is! ((Like somebody said about pornography, he can't define it, but he knows it when he sees it.))

Woody-Toots: Why do you play Dip? I'm in it for the glamour! ((There's too much glamour and you want to drag it down some?)) Rauterberg plays because he enjoys making a fool of himself. Mazzer joined Dipdom because Santa Monica did not have enough people to lie and cheat. Osuch is too gross to be a part of any hobby that's not postal. Olsen, he's a lunatic, he'll do anything. After all, when you live in Kansas, any activity is enjoyment. Peters joined because Rauterberg needed a friend and Hanson, well, he hasn't decided whether or not to join. ((Hanson just does it because he likes to catch mice. For example ...))

London: You see, I was pretty busy during last season, lots of finals and stuff, ((lots of Frauke too, I think.)) and didn't have time to write letters for this game. The deadline was coming up fast and I didn't know what to do. Our house had been plagued with mice lately, so I came up with a brilliant idea. I would set 3 mousetraps, one for each rat in this game (Peters, Michalski and Rauterberg). Whichever one caught a mouse would be the rat of the month. So I set the traps and waited til morning. By Michalski's I found these huge fucking dirty mouse tracks. He hadn't even tried for the cheese, but left a big ol' mouse turd right on the trap. Peters had gone for the cheddar and sprung the trap, but must have been too quick as the trap was empty. But Rauterberg's trap held, skull neatly crushed in two, a thin sleek white mouse. It's red eyes were nearly squeezed from its head. Strangely, the mouse's mouth was not full of cheese, the cheese was still intact, but the bloody face was underneath the trigger of the mousetrap, as if the mouse had deliberately killed itself. I flushed Rauterberg down the toilet and mailed in the orders. As it was, I should have let Rauterberg kill himself and gone for the turd. ((I think Olsen and Peters are going for the turd.))

Wichita-Santa Moscina: How come you didn't attack Scooter Hanson in your feud starting intro last time? What's a matter, you actually LIKE the little wimp? Well let me take care of Scott: Hey Hanson, where's ya learn to play Dip, at Woody's house or what? There, that ought to hold him. ((What a low blow.))

Quasi Olsen to Real Olsen: How can anybody imitate you? It'd be totally degrading! (Oops, I guess that's imitation Woody press.)

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GM: It's time for the Pudge Con report.

IMPORTANT PUDGECON ANNOUNCEMENT: Diet Strawberry soda is out boys. I've found a new love--Diet Citrus Mist. It has to be Shasta. ((And it's great with barbecued cat. Yum!))

PUDGECON BED REPORT: So far we have Kathy, Julie, Frauke, Daphne, Cathy ... there's gonna be one hell of a good time in that bed!! ((A loaf of bread, a jug of Diet Citrus Mist and thou beside me ...))

Quasi-Olsen offers the following names for the con-test: (for this summer premier event.) Prairie-Con; Diet Strawberry-Con; Ear-Lobe-Con; Toto's Revenge; Aren't-You-Glad-Berch-isn't-Here?-Con; Olsen's Last Stand; Olga-Con; Buddy-Con; Quasi-Pudge-Con; Pudge-Quasi-Con; Mazzer's Con (how can I lose with that one?); Curio-Con; It-Can't-Possibly-Be-Real-Con; So-How-Could-I-Be-Here-Con; Let's-Get-Drunk-Con; Let's-Stab-Olsen-Con; Let's-Not-Stab-Olsen-Con; Fly-in-Eat-out-Throw-up; Con-you-see-it?; Con-stantinople; Stand-in-opal-Con; Honey-Con; Kitten-Con; Fusion-Con; BYOB-Con; Whitchita-Con; Which-Con?; Destroy Olsen's House-Con; Suburban Kansas-Con; Don't-Call-it-anything-Con. ((I'm working real hard to win the prize.))

GM: May I add: Byrne-Con (Midwest Division); Naked Women With Loose Morals Con (in order to improve attendance), The Only Con that Mazzer Goes to (in order to keep attendance down); Barbecued Cat Con.

Eng-Rus: Remember, move F Hith-Den ((I guess he forgot)) and Frauke stops in Madison on her way from Germany...and to Detroit...and from Detroit ...and to Wichita... ((That Peters is totally dedicated to winning!))

Misguided Child-Bunny Rabbit Running for it's Life: Gotcha!

Aus-Rus: My mistake (I think) ((it's always your mistake!)). We'll crush him like an insect this time.

Rooskie-Woodman: Woody, you have got to be the absolute worst loser I have ever seen ((you'd think he's had enough practice)), and that includes Mark Frueh! Nothing was heard from you when you attacked me without provocation early in the game, but now that Olsen and I are kicking your ass all over the Ottoman Empire, everywhere I look there is my name slandered yet again in that rag you dared to call a zine. Just cause I've got far more brain, beauty and class ((he's got class he's not even used yet!)) than you've ever experienced, even in your wet dreams is no reason to insult me so. What's that, you need no reason? Oh, NOW I get it-- well, that explains your overwhelming popularity in the hobby!

Woody-Board: OK, let's all vote yes to the Russian concession. After this turn he'll wad through Ger and Austria. Too bad Jeff Bohner is not playing this one, like me, he knows Peters for the liar he is. (Perhaps the next Nixon Award Winner?) ((Certainly more deserving than the last winner.))

Tur-Aus: When I don't have to think about this game anymore STRANGE DOINGS loses it's home! ((All right guys, lay off a little!))

Quasi-Olsen-Woody: Just because I don't trust people who talk to ducks doesn't mean I'm going to talk to you.

Eng-Aus: Want to increase female attendance at PudgeCon? Keep Woody and Michalski away.

Lon-Par: I did take the letter how you intended, don't worry about that. But how better to respond to "Fuck you" than a hearty "Same to you"? ((Maybe "Which orifice?", that's Olsen's.))

Aus-Fra: I can't believe the impudence of these scoundrels who have had the nerve, the audacity to attack you. Don't they know that they're going up against a man who is fully the equal ~~of~~ in every way of Mark Berch? Hey wait a minute, I think I'll attack you too.

Lon-Par: You told me you were supporting yourself to Bre and that I could have Mid. So I took it, with support just in case.

Olsen-Mazzer: Rather than indulge in character assassination against the others let's discuss your many crimes and defects. Wait a minute, I think I already have ... unless you've developed new ones in the last couple of weeks. ((I've just perfected the old ones.))

London: To clear the record, I was not the one who wrote the "Scotty-GM" press last season. I don't do shrooms. I don't even know what shrooms are. And that syringe I carry around is for diabetes. ((And what is the bull whip and handcuffs for?))

Michalski: And the Pope shits in the woods.

Hpls: Cuthbert?

Lon-Ber: I hope you retreated to Belgium, sucker ...

Aus-Ger: Why don't you do something constructive and attack Woody?

E-G: Not only was I had, I was gang banged. ((The gang may be bigger than you think.))

GM: At long last it's ...

FUTURETIME: Woody and Toots are walking along the side of the road after having left the Sambo's (now Season's) restaurant. Woody turns to Michalski and asks, "Do you know why the woodpecker crossed the road?"

"No, Woody, I don't."

"To get away from the Pollock. Ha-Ha, isn't that a good one!? Ha-Ha!" Woody hears a coking of a gun from beside him.

"You know, I wouldn't tell any more jokes if I were you. People might not think you were very funny."

"Rrrright. I wwwon't ttttell any mmmore ddddddumb jjjokes. Look at that!"

"What is it?"

"I don't know. What is it, Toots?"

"I just asked you."

"I thought maybe you were telling me a riddle."

"The only riddlye I know of at the moment is whether you've go anything between your ears."

"I don't know. If you had a Q-tip I'd be able to tell you."

"I've got this ..." Toots points the gun at Woody's ear, "Works a lot better than Q-tips. Quit gawking, let's see what this is."

"It's part of a letter. It says, 'Help, I'm being held hostage by a group of horny crustaceans. Please advise me as to the odds of escaping with a file. I work for IBM. Big reward!' Toots, this is our big chance to make it big! We can be bigger than Batman and Robin. All we have to do is rescue this guy and we'll be rich, we'll be famous,..."

"Start holding your breath. No, something tells me this is a trap. I smell vermin nearby. '" ((Maybe it's Scott catching mice.))

"You do??!"

"Yeh. Or are you still using that aftershave Osuch sent you?"

"Look out!"

BLAM! BLAM! BLAM!

"Glad you saw it, Woody. Most worms only take one shot, this sonnabithh was a tough one. Must've been trained by Communists; maybe he was one of Mazzer's worms."

"Let's check for evidence."

"I'm still looking for evidence that you have a brain, Woody. C'mon, we got places to go."

At that moment, a car approached. It is a sleek, black '68 Auburn and it stops beside Woody and Toots. The driver is the coolest person either of them has ever laid eyes on, even at the movies.

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\*\*\*This is Expletive Deleted, a subxyn dedicated to the postal play of multi player games of all sorts. Written by Tom Swider (1183 Robinson Hill Road; Endwell, NY 13760 (607) 729-2830). When there are game openings, they go for a gamefee of \$4.00 a shot (no NMR fee). Houserules are available for those who like to read 1040 forms or are planning to play in a game. All games played herein are DIAS (Draws Include All Survivors). This was a recording.....beep!....  
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## An ED-torial

\*\*\*Too much!

\*\*\*That's how this hobby is at this point of time to me. In the past five years, I have learned the most about human nature and friendships through the diplomacy hobby. I've been realizing that I need to cut more and more of my hobby connections with my habit due to money reasons and lack of time. Priorities get mixed up. My friendships have been strengthened by phone conversations and by meeting you at convensions such as Origins and Byrnecon.

\*\*\*Rather than elaborating upon a life story which would knock most of you dead asleep, let me state that my main desire at this time is to be able to transfer to a college away from home, and to concentrate upon academic studies. However, I've noticed that not only have my games been interfering with these goals (by that, I mean games I'm actually playing in), but also my phone activities. Each month, I seem to have accumulated a hefty phone bill. Each month, I tell myself that I'm gonna quit doing this, and I wind up making more phone calls. If I'm to save up enough money to go away to college, I'm going to have to kick the habit. I'm a phone-aholic.

\*\*\*After a little meditating, I've come to the conclusion that I must cut, for the next few years, my phone connections with the hobby. With that in mind:

- 1) EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY: All games I GM will be run strictly through the mail. I will not make anymore NMR insurance calls.
- 2) Likewise, I don't want NMR insurance..NMRs are nature's way of saying that you're in too many games.
- 3) If you get a call from me, please help me monitor myself. I know if I get on the phone with Kathy or Williams, they'll help me stay on for awhile. When I make a call, I never plan on talking for longer than ten minutes.

\*\*\*I think I screwed myself up grade-wise this semester, so I've got to cut down even further. Fortunately, a few games are winding down so my GM duties will be lowered. As for my Final Conflict opening, that won't start until one of either Pac-Man or Tempest ends.

\*\*\*That reminds me to send in orders for Great White North.....who cares? Eric Kane should since he'll win. I just love selling out to people...  
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\*\*\*I believe I'll be attending Marycon, Eastcon and Origins this year. No Pudgecon; too much \$ and time missed at work. I will probably wind up in the Dip tournament at Origins after all, I just won't play Dip at Eastcon, and get my Titan fix there. I'll end up rooming with Desperate Man at Origins. I bet he doesn't show up at the convention in the nude. He's not bold enough to live up to his 'fictional' stories! Chicken! I know Cathy Cunning would enjoy the sights (then again....)

\*\*\*From Gary Coughlan:

Dear Tom,

Thanks, I got Expletive Deleted today. I do think that you should limit the three subzines that you have though. I mean Coat of Arms, Strange Doings and that blank page (the best of the three I thought) took up nearly half of your zine! Subxyns are okay, but put them in their place. I think a brief 4 page limit is very reasonable.

Speaking of reasonable, the Don Williams Clark Bar Candy Affair required beyond-the-call-of-duty ombudsman procedures. I mean if Mark Berch can part with his integrity, can any of the rest of us be far behind? Not only is he God, but he is the self-appointed hobby conscience who rides his white horse to undo hobby wrongs. Right now, he's hot on the trail of that no-good Gregory Russell!

Anyway, back to Don Williams. I decided to call him. Not only is the spoken word much more effective than the printed word--at least in the heat of the moment--but I know that Don speaks fluent Italian and Spanish, and I felt I could use this to make him see reason.

However, despite my close friendship with Tom Mainardi, my Italian is not as good as it could be, certainly not as excellent as my Spanish is so our conversations were in that language. In fact, it is rather difficult for me to write this letter in English as I've just gotten off the phone with Don //I just hope you cleaned up the mess, pervert!//.

At any rate, I think you and the other aggrieved parties in this matter will be quite satisfied with what Don intends to do. He told me, and I paraphrase his comments as closely as possible: "(Expletives Deleted-my subxyn refuses to print obscene Spanish phrases!)".

So, quite soon, Tom, you should be seeing Don Williams keep his word //Just like how Mike Mazzer can keep his promises!//. Now on to other matters that ED dealt with.

Michel Llesnard's comments on the different humor (okay humour) between nations makes me want to hear more. I read a book by Desi "Ricky Ricardo" Arnaz which says that he didn't think Americans had any sense of humor when he first came to this country. They laughed at things he could not understand until he knew the language fairly well. Then he said that we are a people with a great sense of humor. Here is a clipping from Punch magazine which has a regular feature called "Let's Parler Franglais!". I wonder what Michel would think of these movies, ha ha! I wonder if this type of humor even seems funny to French-speakers, at least in the same sense that it does to us?

I liked your Kalamazoo Con report. Russ Rusnak couldn't read my writing on his EE so he asked me who had called him John Belushi. I typed it that time so watch out.

As for Eric the White-Hearted, it was Guy Hail who told me that his wife Libby (they were co-publishers of The Great War In Modern Memory) said that Eric looked like someone who'd be on the front cover of "Teen Beat" magazine. I, on the other hand, have been trying unsuccessfully to convince Eric that he bears a strong resemblance to Tom Petty of the Heartbreakers (Now doesn't that go along with your "broken several hearts from Chicago to Kalamazoo" comment?!). I'm enclosing a clipping of that too so you can make an unbiased statement on what Tom Swider says! Eric said that he doesn't look like a "decadent rock star"? Tom Petty is decadent????

Well I guess that's all for now. Til later.....

Gary C.

\*\*\*Gary, the official language for the Clark Bar scandal has always been English. Could you please send me a translation from which I can copy for next issue? I have to admit that I'm rather skeptical as to whether Don



# LET'S PARLER FRANÇAIS!

## Lesson Deux-cent-sept

### Dans la Videostore

**Videoman:** Que fancez-vous, monsieur?

**Monsieur:** Je désire quelque chose de meaty, si vous attrapez mon drift.

**Videoman:** Ah! Un vidéo de Rocky IV ou Rocky V, peut-être? Les plus grands biffs et bangs des boxmatches de heavyweight? Une compilation des assassinats les plus horribles de nos temps? Un vieux Norman Wisdom?

**Monsieur:** Non, pas si horribles que cela. Je n'aime pas tellement la violence. Des vidéos classiques, mais avec un peu de . . . spice.

**Videoman:** Naughty mais nice?

**Monsieur:** Oui. Naughty mais nasty, même . . .

**Videoman:** Oh là là! Well, nous avons une petite sélection dans le backroom. Nous avons *Emmanuelle* et le *Team de Rugby*. Nous avons *Carry On Up Harley Street* . . .

**Monsieur:** C'est naughty, ça?

**Videoman:** Oh oui. Il y a Kenneth Williams comme le gynécologiste et Barbara Windsor comme la bombshell avec le zip de son skirt qui ne marche pas et . . .

**Monsieur:** Non, merci.

**Videoman:** Ou *Twelve Angry Women*.

**Monsieur:** Ah! C'est possible.

**Videoman:** Non, je regrette. Ma mistake. C'est un film féministe que j'ai acheté en erreur. Eh bien, il y a *Eightsome Reel*. C'est un sex-film de Scotland, vous savez, avec huit personnes qui s'engagent dans un peu de hanky-panky sur Ben Denis.

**Monsieur:** Qui est Ben Denis?

**Videoman:** Non, c'est une montagne. A être parfaitement franc, le film est un let-down.

**Monsieur:** Pourquoi?

**Videoman:** En Scotland, il fait très froid. Les acteurs performent tout le temps dans overcoats, scarfs, gloves et Tam o'Shanter. C'est drôle, mais ce n'est pas sexy.

**Monsieur:** Look. Je ne cherche pas le trash moderne mais les vidéos classiques avec un peu de spice. Avec Gary Cooper, Doris Day etc.

**Videoman:** Nulle chance. Les films classiques sont oh si respectables.

**Monsieur:** Mais on m'a dit . . . un petit oiseau m'a dit . . . j'ai entendu sur la grapevine . . . qu'il y a des vidéos classiques alternatives. Des films underground, avec Doris Day qui fait vraiment des choses et Audrey Hepburn qui perd ses inhibitions.

**Videoman:** Non! Ce n'est pas vrai. Vous n'êtes pas du fuzz, par hasard?

**Monsieur:** Non.

**Videoman:** Monsieur, ces classiques obscènes n'existent pas. Ils sont une légende.

**Monsieur:** Oh. Oh, well. Donnez-moi *Je Suis OK*, Jacques, then.

**Videoman:** Un *I'm All Right, Jack* coming

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"Preperation-H" (I call him "Preppie" for short) Williams is capable of making an ethical decision. For example, I called Don at work requesting several items and all of the money in the cash register from the "7-11" store that he works at. I still have yet to receive any of the above! Again, he has broken yet another one of his promises. Then he has the nerve to say I cheated him out of Bulgaria in Trentino Alto-Adige! Of all the nerve!

To your right, I have reprinted the clipping Gary sent. For all you foreign (Michel in particular) subbers, Gary & I would definitely be interested in hearing what you have to say about this. Also, if you can find any examples of how Europeans poke fun at us Americans, I'd be interested in seeing how they do so. For example, I know that in the Soviet Union, they have a big mock-up about our "Cowboys & Indians" heritage.

At the bottom of the page, we have ED's first photo contest. Is this Eric Ozog or Tom Petty. I know it says Tom Petty, but I think he's Eric's look alike. I just hope it prints okay.

Oh, I'm going to let Mike and Woody have ten whole pages for their subxyns. Thanks for the input Gary, but you know how I like to give room for subxyn pubbers to do their thing. Maybe one day Coat of Arms might go solo like Bersaglieri?



Tom Petty



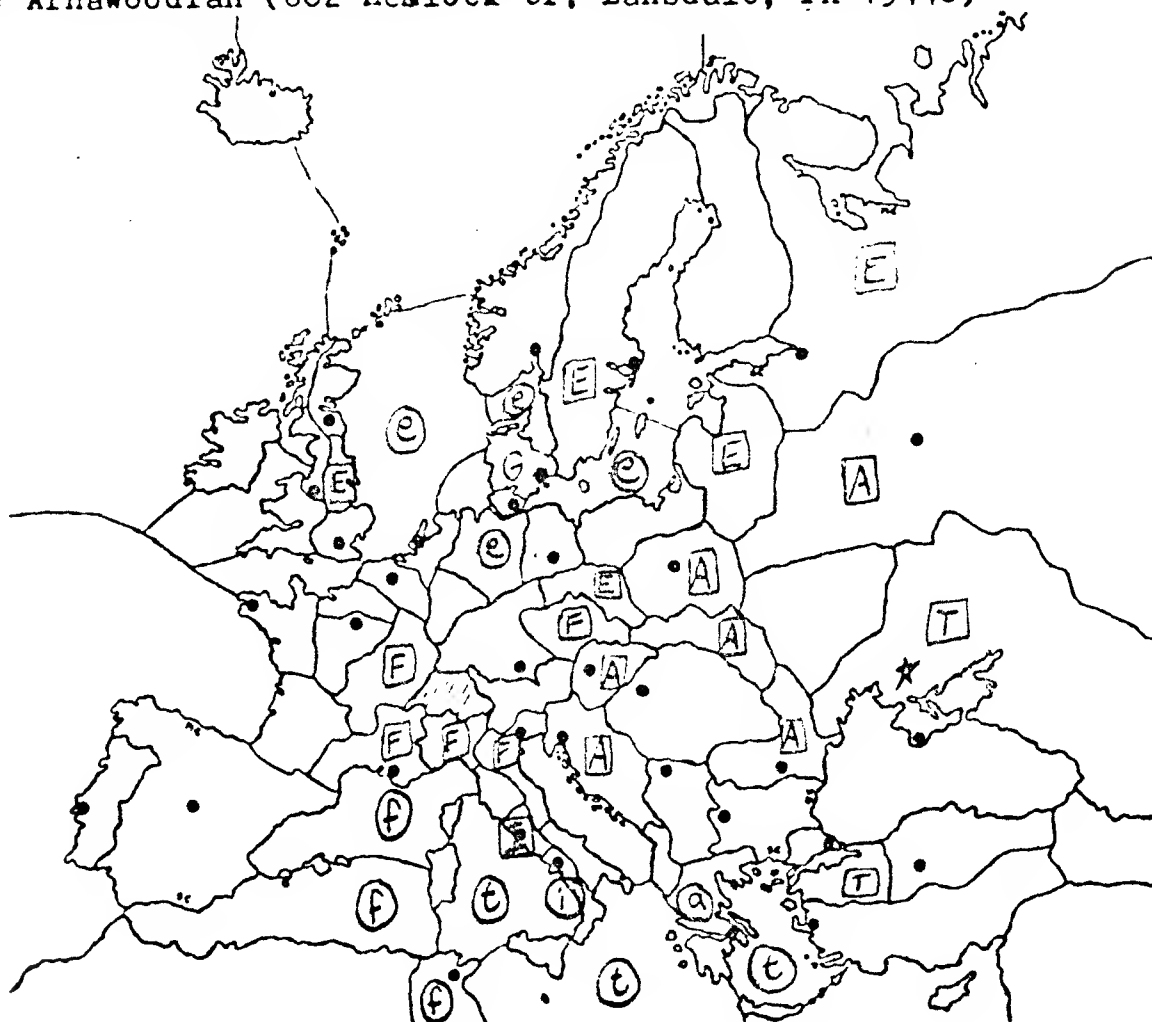
Spring 1905

They're Comming To Take You Away, Ya Ha!

1982 HG

## The Cast

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 RUS: Larry McCloud (475 Grand Canyon Blvd; Reno, NV 89502)  
 TUR: Steve Arnawoodian (602 Hemlock Cr; Lansdale, PA 19446)



AUS (Mark) a bud-GAL; a VIE-tyo/s a TRI/; a ukr-MOS/s a WAR/; a RUM-s-(t)a arm-sev; f GRE-s-(t)f ion.

ENG (Larry) a lon-YOR; a ed-SWE/c f NTH & f SKA/; a stp-LVN; a fin-STP; a ber-SIL; f hol-KIE; f swe-BAL.

FRA (Jeff) a par-BUR; a MAR-pie; a PIE-tyo; a VEN-tri; a mun-BOH; f naf-TUN/s f WES/; \*f tys-ion.

GER (John?) NMR. a DEN-h.

ITA (Greg) a ROM-s-f nap; f NAP-s-a rom.

RUS (Larry) \* f sev-h/s \* a mos/.

TUR (Steve) a arm-SEV; a bul-CON; f smy-AEG; f tun-TYS/s f ION/.

\*\*\*The RUS a Mos dies. F Sev can retreat to Black Sea or off the board.  
 Jeff told me to retreat f tys-LYO.

\*\*\*Fall 1905 orders are due to me (Tom Swider; 1183 Robinson Hill Road; Endwell, NY 13760) by June 2, 1983. Also, a concession to France has been proposed. VOTE! A NVR="NO" unless you also NMR, in which it is treated as a "YES" vote.

PRESS:

SCORPIO to ARIES: What's this about cruddy GMing...?

ARIES: I don't know; tell me about it...this next item isn't exactly press, but here goes...

REAL LIFE HORROR STORIES: This month's tale: PAC-MAN CHASES, CATCHES, MAULS NUDE!

Desperate Man spends week in Greenfield municipal hospital. Diagnosis: internal bleeding, kidney contusion, halitosis, facial bunyons.

"I'll get that oblate spheroid if it's the last thing I ever do!", decries damaged desperate dude.

Police unable to locate wherabouts of suspect. Wife claims husband on fishing expedition with Dig Dug.

FBI called in as law enforcement officials begin nationwide search, fear more attacks on innocent civilians. Press calling incident "The Pac Man Case" in a streak of journalistic brilliance.

Julie Glass taken into custody for harboring fugitive. On top ten list.

ENGLAND to RUSSIA: I'm sorry I attacked you, but it was either you or France.

LONDON: In ajoint communique issued today on the Anglo-French military meetings, both countries announced an Austria first policy; in other words, Austria is the number one enemy.

ENGLAND to TURKEY: Why do you only have 5 dots while I have 9? Admit it; I'm a better player.

ARIES: Maybe Woody's luring you into a false sense of security?

PARIS to TURKEY: I don't need your help against my good buddy Greg, and if you think I'm going to support you into his centers, you've got a fatter head than Brux.

PARIS to WOODY: Please don't attack me in Utah; to be allied with such a great player as yourself is quite an honor.

ARIES: Great player? Where?

ENGLAND to ITALY: Thanks for the brilliant moves.

ARIES: Brilliance? What brilliance?

ENGLAND to FRANCE: I hope you went to Bohemia and Tyrolia. Let's get Aus.

DESPERATE MAN to WOODY: Attack Bohner in this game or I attack you in the Pariahs game.

DESPERATE MAN to ARIES: If he can do it, so can I. Of course, it don't make much difference since I've only got two units in Pariahs.

ARIES: Either attack England in this game, or I'll nuke you in Leviathan. See, I can do it too!

ENGLAND to ARIES: What's this? Postponing the deadline for exams? Which is more important, Dip or school?

ARIES: Actually, sex is.

ENGLAND to ARIES: Bet you can't believe I mailed my orders in. I can't afford to call as much anymore.

ARIES: What I can't believe is that you forgot to enclose orders for Tempest.

STUART to BONNERD: Look, if you really want to get Woody you must adopt a simple but clever plan. First step of simple but clever plan: Ally with Italy.

PARIS to POPE NUDO: You are right. This game can't stand to lose our only real press writer. Right before your last center is taken, I'll convoy your army to Tunis and you can live there. Just think.....you'll get to outlive Germany, Russia and Woody.

PARIS to RUSSIA & GERMANY: Bye.

ROME to MARK: PND II has given some thought to your offer to protect his last two centers. But he has learned something. He noticed in your last press release that you tried to mark out two words, namely "take them". Fortunately, you did not cover them well enough so he was able to see that your offer of help was in fact a very clever ploy to take over Italy. Isn't the Pope amazing?

ROME to ARIES: You've got to realize that the Ayatollah means no harm when he says he is going to send an Iranian hit team after you. He merely wishes to see your batting average improve.

ARIES: I'm afraid that the "Boys from Brazil" Baseball team needs no help. We've recruited several players from the Mets. How 'bout a 'friendly' slow-pitch match between my boys and your students?

ROME to WORLD: I propose a Rus/Ger/Ita draw.

ARIES: No way hosea! Buenos DIAS!

STEWART to PARIS: You call taking Venice ignoring me? Boy do you need a checkup.

ROME to ARIES: Let's set the record straight. When the Pope wishes to address Mars, he speaks to the god Ares, NOT Aries you dumb goat.

ROME to MARS: See, I set him straight. What's that you say? Me uppity? No, I didn't call you a dumb goat. No, I didn't. I meant Swider. I meant...

ROME to HALLEY'S COMET: Baaaaaaa Baaaaaaa.

ROME to EPSILON ERIDANI: Baaaaaaa Baaaaaaa.

ROME to ROME: Baaa Baaaaa Baaaaaa Baaaaaaa.

ROME: Baaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaa.

ARES: IS THIS ANY BETTER???? GO AND GRAZE, MY ARROGANT FRIEND!!!

\*\*\*I forgot to mention the status of Germany. Should John NMR next turn, I will put Germany in a state of civil disorder.

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Turn 5 Nexus

VANGUARD

Dune-02-82

\*\*\*The only alliance now in effect is one between Guild and Bene Gesserit.

\*\*\*Secret information listed on back. There are six cards up for bid. The deadline for turn 5 moves is Jun 14th, 1983. I no longer provide NMR insurance; do me a favor and mail a set of orders to me NOW, and then update them if need be.

\*\*\*Note: 1B (Ciel Nth) omitted on map. Only 9B in reserve. Also, Guild Rep and Master Bewt are in the tanks. Nothing major, but just to set the record straight.

\*\*\*Those interested in getting into a Dune game are advised to ask Mark Leudi, for I won't be running another section for awhile. Give someone else a chance.

Ahn: MP Barno will be sending out the last issue of TSS in about 1 1/2 weeks. TJS

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(Tom Swider is the editor and former publisher of The Shogun's Sword, a class of '78 zine which is noteworthy for its variety of games, unique humor, and (until recently) so-so repro.)

Tom has submitted a full-length review of Avalon Hill's game Dune, a multi-player treatment of Frank Herbert's classic sci-fi novel.)

Dune: An Unappreciated Review  
by Tom Swider

When Avalon Hill released Dune at Origins '79, I noticed not too many people were playing it at the convention. Some people saw Dune and believed that because it had added lots of colorful components, it was a "typed" game which would turn out to be a dud. Other war gamers were skeptical of Dune for fear that the game wouldn't follow the book it was created from. A year later, I decided to purchase the game, and was in for a pleasant surprise.

The physical components of Dune are worth the cost of the game. Included are a mounted playing board of Arrakis with counters, leader counters, player shields, rules and player aid charts. The board is well done as is the case of the shields and colors; they are nice to look at. The player aid chart is also well done. Lots of information is listed on it, which is very handy when you are first learning the game.

Rules are abundant in Dune, and may be discouraging to beginners. This is not to say the game has rules flaws. Organization is one of the rules' letter points. The problem lies in the fact that Dune is a game that follows the axiom "wherever an exception to every rule." In order to properly enjoy the game, all players should have mastery of the rules. Dune has taken a few new approaches in play mechanics and deserves some explanation.

In a nutshell, several steps are taken. The beginning of the turn is when the storm round and spice flow takes place. The storm serves as a random event which players must consider in planning their strategy. Spice flows are also a random event, but have a higher level of importance since they distribute spice, Dune's monetary unit, onto the planets. Next, players may bid for treasury cards, which are handy for killing your enemy's leaders, removing your chance of winning combat, and saving your neck in tight situations. After bids are completed, movement occurs. At this time, each faction takes a free shipping unit from off-the-board reserves onto the planet, and then receives tokens already on the board. Severe limitations exist for the players since they may take only one shipment and move said stack of tokens one space. So, planning is extremely important to successful play. If after all movement is completed more than one faction occupies the same space, combat will occur. In combat resolution, a player will control a leader and a number of tokens. Players may also play combat treasury cards to try to kill the enemy's leader or protect his own. Each player's skill level is revealed simultaneously. First, treasury cards are checked to see if either (or both) leader(s) are killed. Then, each side delivers a combat total by adding the leader's combat value to the number of tokens committed. The side with the highest total annihilates his opponent, while losing tokens equal to the number committed. Finally, players in provinces with spice may harvest it and add it to their treasures.

The ultimate objective of the game, naturally, is to take control of Arrakis, which is accomplished by gaining control of three of the five strongholds (especially marked provinces) on the board. Factions also have short term objectives, such as gaining spice to support future attacks.

Because of the variety of options available to each player, Dune is a downright dirty game, since lots of blackmail and treachery is involved. Each player has some advantages which the other players don't have. A brief summary is as follows:

Atreides - Has the ability to look at spice flow cards for the upcoming turn, may look at treachery cards as they come up for bid, and can force his opponents to show him part of their battleplan in combat.

Harkonnen - As a religious cult, the Harkonnen can "live" down with other players' shipments one free token as "spiritual advisor".

to retype this!  
Reminds me of the earlier issues of HB!

She can also use her power of "voice" which can force a player to play or avoid playing a certain card in combat. Finally, if the B.G. player can predict the turn the game will end and the winner, the B.G. player wins instead, due to her predicting the Kessian's arrival.

Emperor - The Emperor has a seemingly limitless supply of spice! all other players who win treachery cards in bids pay the Emperor.

Fremen - Native to the planet, he can thereby avoid certain unpleasant random events and has a fierce army; he does not have to pay spice to bring units onto the board, and can receive reinforcements at an incredible rate shipping onto Dune from off-planet pay an spice to do so, while his own shipments are only half-rates.

Harmonmen - As an expert in treachery, he may hold twice as many treachery cards as the other players can. Harmonmen also receives a free card each time he buys one. Lastly, he has many leaders of other players who are traitors and will throw battles to the Harmonmen's forces whenever he wishes.

There is too much to explain about Dune in a review. This is the only criticism I have about the game. Players who are new to the game usually get confused because there is so much happening at the same time. The rule book is also another reason why I feel Dune is a good game. All of the major characters in Frank Herbert's novel are portrayed along with some of the highlights of the novel.

In conclusion, I hope that this brief review may inspire some of you folks to give the game a try. Those of you who wish to try the game and can't find it at your local game store may send \$16.00 plus \$1.00 postage and handling to the Avalon Hill Game Co., 4917 Harford Rd., Baltimore, MD 21214.

(Tom has an opinion in several Dune in which later, Plague Times. This is Tom's second game as a Dune fan - his first section was in his own zine, where I'm having more than a little trouble as the Harkonnen (excuse me - the B.G. witches). It looks like I've already blown my prediction, and may need to resort to military power (HA) for victory. But I disagree.

In any event, Tom will be happy to provide you information, rules, and sample adjudications if you're interested. Send him a L.A.F. for sure.)

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(Ben Schilling has submitted a response to last month's review of the game Empire. His experience has been different from mine...

I cannot let your review of Empire go unanswered. I was playing, in the #2, and had to resist it. The game program is very poorly designed. Errors occur quite frequently, and Mr. Holford refused to correct them. On one game turn, I attempted to move about 1/10 of my fuel to another colony. This colony, owned by another player, didn't have enough space for that much fuel. Instead of merely not being transferred, all of my fuel disappeared. I wrote Mr. Holford and he said that he would correct this before the next turn. He did not. None of my factories could produce on the next turn. I called...he finally corrected the fuel, but not the production. I attempted to resist by giving my colonies to another player. Despite the fact that this is allowed by the rules, Mr. Holford refused to allow this to happen. I would recommend that no one get involved in this problem area.

((I guess there's two sides to any story...Ben was involved quite a while before I was. Maybe, times have changed a bit - though I'll be a bit more watchful as a result of the above.))

Diplomacy is putting off writing for just one more season, and finding out that your former allies have made it possible for you to put it off permanently...(adapted from Bob Serrent's original in St. George)



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In Red Chasm:

	Dial	Spice	Tokens	Attack	Defense	Leader	Win
Atreides	0	0	0	Lasegun	Snooper	Jessica	X
Guild	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	1	voiced	Kulon	Mas. Bewt	-

\*\*\*Guild was voiced not to play a projectile in both combats. Again, Atreides loses nothing, while Guild loses everything, including cards (although I think that's what Mark had in mind; then again.....). Atreides gets 3s in bounty water from Master Bewt

Spice Collection Round:

A: 8 (Red Chasm)	E: None	G: 1 (Tuek's Sietch)
2 (Arrakeen)	F: 10 (Hab Rid Sietch)	H: 2 (Carthag)
B: 2 (CHOAM)		

Current Spice Holdings:

	A	B	E	F	G	H
Last Turn:	16	10	16	10	22	2
CHOAM:	2	*	0	0	0	2
Bid Round:	0	-4	10	0	-3	-3
Revivals:	-2	0	0	0	0	0
Shipments:	0	0	-5	0	5	-1
Combat Round:	4	0	0	-4	0	0
Collection Round:	10	2	0	10	1	2
Gifts:	-6	0	0	0	0	6
Total for Turn 5	24	8	21	16	25	8

Positions Prior to Turn 5:

Atreides: 3 (Red Chasm); 10 (Arrakeen); 2 in tanks, 5 in reserve.  
Bene Gesserit: 1 (Cielago North, Arrakeen, Habbanya Ridge Sietch, False Wall South); 2 (Carthag); 3 (Polar Sink); 2 & Alia in tanks, 10 in reserve.  
Emperor: 5 (Habbanya Ridge Sietch); 8, 2\* in tanks, 2, 3\* in reserve.  
Fremen: 4 (False Wall South); 4, 1\* (Habbanya Ridge Flat); 8, 2\* in tanks, 1 in reserve.  
Guild: 5 (Tuek's Sietch); 6 in tanks, 9 in reserve. Guild Rep, Master Bewt  
Harkonnen: 2 (Carthag); 9 in tanks, 9 in reserve.

Turn 5 Storm & Spice Rounds: A Worm appears in Red Chasm. Will eat the 3 A tokens already there. Spice blows appear in Cielago North (8s) and Sihaya Ridge (6s). Storm moves 1 space to sector # 16.

\*\*\*Alliance orders due by May 18th. If I have everybody's normal orders on file, I'll also do turn 5. Orders can be made conditional upon alliances. Uhhh, then again, we can always keep the turn seperated. This is the reason why in my next Dune section, I will not allow alliances due to the nexus; it slows down the game too much!

PRESS:

Atreides to Guild: This is only the beginning; total revenge will be mine!

ARIES: Then again, the Kwisatch Haderach isn't in play yet...

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FINAL CONFLICT  
Fall 2004

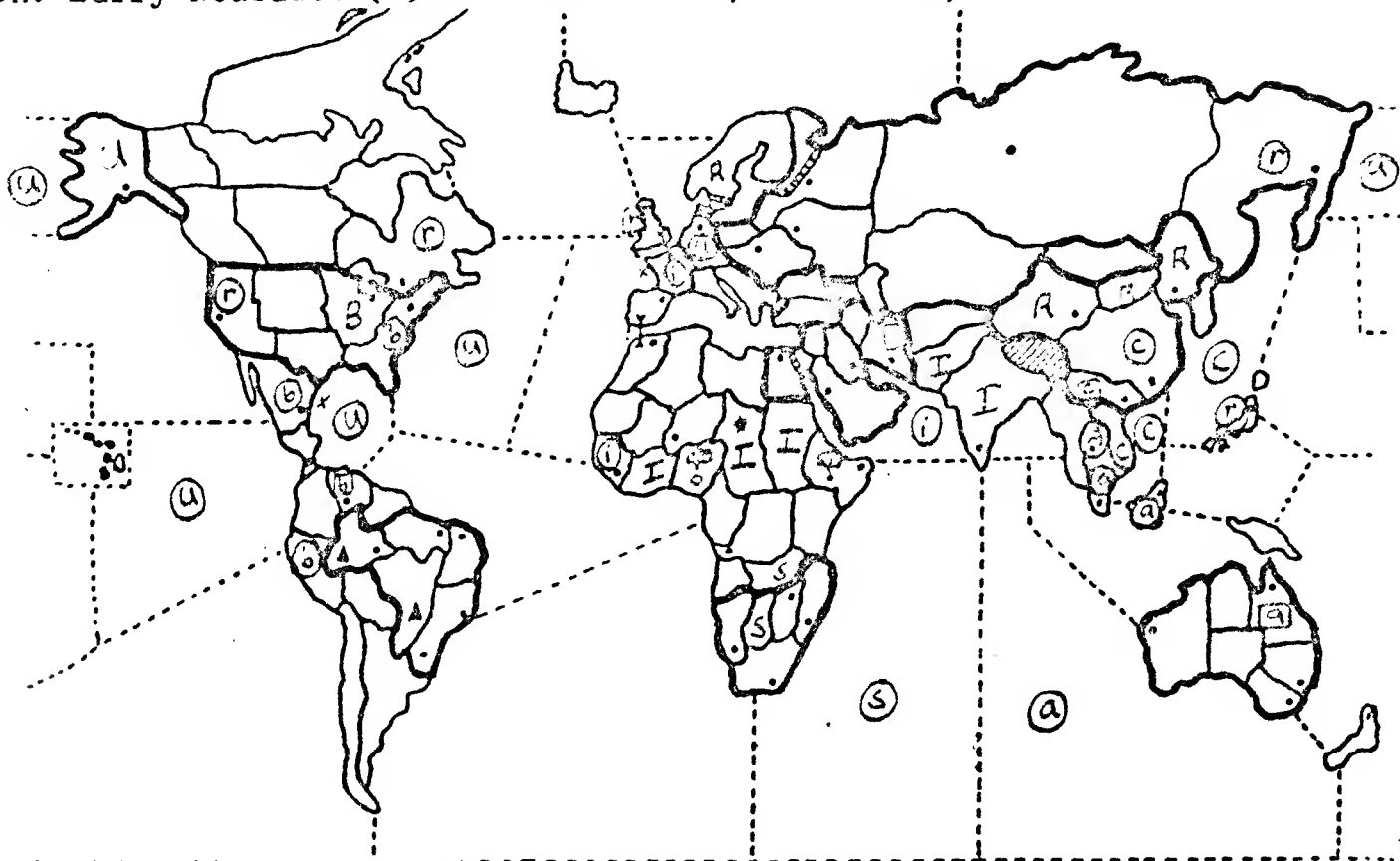
# Tempest

1983 Agf 16  
NN-006

The Surgeon Spider Has Determined That  
Radiation Causes Brain Damage!!!

## The Cast

AUS: Bill Highfield (2012 East Ridge Road; Rochester, NY 14622)  
BRA: Don Williams (217-C Kaye Ct; Redlands, CA 92373)  
CHI: Bob Olsen (6818 Winterberry Circle; Wichita KS 67226)  
ISR: Al Pearson (Box 898; Charles Town, WV 25414)  
RUS: Steve Arnawoodian (602 Hemlock Circle; Lansdale, PA 19446)  
SAF: Debbie Osborne (7804 Penrod; Detroit, MI 48228)  
USA: Larry Neubauer (251 Cheswold Lane; Haverford, PA 19041)



AUS (Bill) a bur-THA/s CHI a vie/; f jas-MLY/s p QUE/; f EIO-ind; f BOR-h.

BRA (Don) a tex-MIC; f MEX(EC)-h/s p VEN/; f NEW-ont; f PRU-mpo; n MAT & n AMA-h.

CHI (Bob) p bur r can; f bor-r-chs. p CAN-U; a VIE-s-(a)a bur-tha; f CHU-laughs at the dead Israeli soldiers/s f CHS & f SOJ/.

ISR (Al) a nig-IVO; f nea-SOM; a IND-s-(a)a bur(otm)/s f PSG/; a PAK-sin; a lib-CHA/s a SUD/; p IRA-s-a sud; f FRA-s-(r)a sca-ben(nso); n sau-l-SOM.

RUS (Steve) a SCA-h; f nao-ONT/s p ENG/; a SIN-chu/s a MAN & a INN/; f CAL-s-(u)f nep-mex(wc)(nso); f arc-KAM; f nwp-JAP; n mos-l-CAM.

SAF (Debbie) a som-h(nsu)/s f eaf(nsu)/; f cam-ivo(nsu); p cam-s-f cam-ivo(nsu); a ZAM-U; a BOT-zam; a zai-h(nsu); \*a cha-alg; f WIO-s-f eaf.

USA (Larry) NMR. n's mex & cal r otb. Has a ALA, f's BER, CAR, MPO, NEP, NWA & BEN.



\*\*\*The SAF a cha can retreat to Nig, con, zai or otb.

\*\*\*Larry's nmr came to me as a surprise. On the phone, I told him that I wouldn't be able to adjudicate the game for a few days since finals were at the front door, and I told him to mail them to me. I got Pac-Man orders but none for Tempest. No standby will be called, but if he nmr's next time, I will appoint one.

### The GNP

AUS: ade dar PER SYD VIC NEZ QUE bur THA MLY BOR (8 centers)

Income= \$27 Savings=\$2 Maintenance=\$15. Has \$14 to spend.

BRA: mat AMA FOR RIO SAU VEN col gui arg tex ivo pru MEX MIC NEW (8 centers)

Income= \$31 Maintenance= \$17. Has \$14 to spend.

CHI: CAN ~~CHV~~ vie (1 center) Income= \$4 Maintenance= \$18. Owes \$14.

ISR: syr kur BAG EGY IRA SAU tur afg pak IBE ~~SOV~~ MOR alb man mli cha  
fra sud lib ivo SEN IND (8 centers)

Income= \$37 Maintenance= \$27. Has \$10 to spend

RUS: pol HUN LEN MOS SIB KAM sca ENG nor yuk bri mon MAN inn kor kaz  
SIN ONT JAP CAL (10 centers)

Income= \$42 Maintenance= \$27. Has \$15 to spend

SAF: ang con WAF SAF RHO MOZ ZAI zam bot eaf ~~zai~~ NIG\* (6 centers)

Income= \$23 Maintenance= \$12. Has \$11 to spend

USA: neb haw ALA cen alb BEN (2 centers) Income= \$10 Maintenance= \$21  
Owes \$11.

\* I am assuming that SAF r a cha-nig. If not, ISR has \$3 extra, and SAF is \$3 short, unless it retreats otb.

\*\*\*In case of USA nmr's, he will remove the following units: f ber, f car and f nea. Just thought you'd like to know.

\*\*\*Winter 2004 orders are due to me by June 6th. Send them to: Tom Swider; 1183 Robinson Hill Road; Endwell, NY 13760.

\*\*\*NEW POLICY: I no longer make NMR insurance calls. I am also becoming more intolerable about taking phone orders. You can still phone them in, but DON'T abuse the privilege.

PRESS:

AUSTRALIA to WORLD: Our glorious fuhrer, Adolf Hightler, has announced a military alliance with both our wetback friends in Brazil and our yellow friends to the North, the Slants. He applauded their struggle against the communism that is infecting the world through the open wounds which are known as Israel and Russia. Beware, you dogs of the sewer! The ABC alliance is gonna teach you wimps the alphabet -- our way...

AUSTRALIA to BRAZIL: Isure hope you had some extra \$\$\$ I could borrow -- I may be able to aid you in your war if you can...

AUSTRALIA to USA: You're the most aggressive American I've seen in years. It's about time there was an aggressive Yank besides Michalski and I.

ADOLF to GM: And I'm a very offensive person, too.

ARIES: I didn't think you had it in you...

CHINA to RUSSIA & BRAZIL: Go ahead and nuke me, I dare you, I double-dare you. Sissies. Wimps.

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Borneo(UPI): Military manouvres continue in Borneo as leftist guerillas harrass our triumphant forces. Our fuhrer has ordered that we institute his favorite directive, the extermination of the entire populace of Borneo. He reportedly said, "Screw this shit, start up the ovens!". He also ordered one of our fleets to head for Italy and when asked why he replied, "Imbecile! We need the wops to grease up the fire! Don't you know anything?!"

Australia's National Anthem: (at least, our options. Which do you like?)

Mine eyes have seen the glory of the  
coming of the Fuhrer  
He has trampled out the Freedom where  
socialism's born.  
He has loosed his fateful lightning  
and started up the fires  
His wrath goes on and on....

Gory gory halleluuuuuuuyah !!!!!!!  
Gory gory halleluuuuuuuyah !!!!!!!  
Gory gory halleluuuuuuuyah !!!!!!!  
Let's kill some more and more...

or even this:

Oh say can you see, by the fire's glowing light  
all the burning people; their stench fills the  
night.

And to those that do dare; their butts become  
very rare.

(and on and on... you can imagine how it goes.)

Adolf to Debbie: My sister's name is Deborah and her middle name is Lee. Your middle name wouldn't happen to be Lee, would it? My sister has red hair, do you? (This is known as breaking the ice). Hey, send me your picture so that I can ~~throw darts at it~~ see the resemblance (if any).

~~Adolf to Debbie: Send me your picture so that I can burn some money?~~  
Adolf to Al the Rabbi: Send me your picture so that when my sister gets the hiccups, I can scare her out of it.

Adolf to Woody: Send me your picture so that I can burn it.

Bill to GM: Better DEAD than RED!!!!

An equation: PASCIFIST = COMMUNIST because they don't believe in fighting to remain free, they would rather be conquered and suppressed.

Sydney(UPI): A riot broke out today as Judge Goering allowed a socialist to suffer only death in a controversial sentence. Screams of "Torture him, torture him!" rang throughout the streets of Australia. The quiet citizens of our great nation spoke out against this lenient sentence saying that it may effect future trials. The guilty person was the infamous Marxist Kurtzov, a Russian spy. He was execute six times after the sentencing. It seems that the un-erring marksmen kept missing his head and shot him in the kneecaps, then the hands, the genitals, and finally, the head. Our fuhrer condemned them for using "valuable ammunition to execute scum that isn't worth the price of one bullet!"

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AUSTRALIA to WORLD: Can I join the nuke family or do I have to move to Hazard County to do that? Okay, NUKE'EM TILL THEY GLOW (then shoot 'em in the dark...)

BILL to GM: I like that saying, don't you?

ARIES: My favorite saying happens to be "Stay the course". Notice that its only the newspapers (except Wall ST Journal) that cut down Reagan omics? Hmmm...

PERTH (UPI): The new naval base at Perth is buzzing with activity as our Fuhrer's new ship-building program begins to show results. New battle-ships and cruisers are beginning to form yet another fleet of the greatest nation on the face of the Earth. Says our Fuhrer, "We have not yet begun to fight! But we will -- soon..."

OLSEN to SWIDER: I think the term "Welsher" Williams is more accurate. Or maybe "Berch's Toady Master Williams".

ARIES: How about Don "Preperation-H" Williams, since he's such a pain in the (expletive deleted). We'll call him "Preppie" for short.

QUEENS (UPI): Our newest airbase is performing terrifically as air support to our glorious naval forces continues. Another 10,000 foot runway has been built on the small island of Gamada in the Phillipine Sea. Of course, it is so that International flights can bring much touristos and not for our aircragt to base so that we can strafe women and children in small, unprotected villages (of course not!). We definitely deny any future rumors of our planes refueling at Gamada to strafe little children. However, since we don't want to be accused of being liars, we don't deny the rumors of our killing little babies by sticking them in microwave ovens.

CHINA to ISRAEL: I got to count petty coup on Randolph Smyth, in the midst of the Swedish Roundabout debacle, when I fucked him out of Sweden //I would imagine that took a lot of humping & pumping...TJS//. Now I get to count petty coup on you by grossly outwitting your poor fumlings (not that it was any contest) in Chungking. Hahahahahaha! Gloating? Sure. It's my last chance.

OLSEN to MAZZER: Nuke Woody? Count me in! Let's storm to victory!

ARIES: Well, Highlow has more press, and I don't feel like typing it all. So here goes with Scotch Brand Tape!

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Somewhere in the Persian gulf: Australian "trawlers" today sunk 4 Israeli transports while fishing for the Fatherland. There were no survivors. The trawlers DID find some men in the water but when they hauled them out, they said that they were Israelis, and since we know Israelis lie like hell, we threw them suckers back in - without the lifejackets, of course. While they were in the water drowning, a 50 cal. machine gun accidentally went off, killing all of the men in the water. The appropriate ~~reprimands~~ reprimands were given out. The Fuhrer was "shocked" at the tragedy stating, "MORE wasted ammunition! Take the price of the bullets out of their pay!"

Perth (again): Today, our Fuhrer met with Brazilian President Don Williams. They discussed Brazilian aid to Australia in return for assurances that we would allow them to live after we conquer the world. No report was given on the results of the discussion.

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Dedicated to Anna Maria Alberghetti (The "Good Season's Lady")

### ITALIANO CULTURISSIMO

((Literally translated, that means "(very) little Italian Culture"; you will find out exactly how little in the following months.))

((Since Piazzano Tom got booted out of Coat of Arms, Mainardi insisted on me writing a column about Italian culture because it was a toss-up between Woody, Bozo Wilson, Mazzer and myself. Woody isn't allowed a monopoly on Italianhood in CoA; he can only name his games after Italian foods. Brad is still trying to convince Masters that the Mason-Dixon line doesn't run through Mark Lew's backyard and doesn't have the time to do as much research as I have. Mazzer doesn't have a COA subxyn (although he does have a non-subxyn, but that's not good enough). So I guess I'm the lucky one!))

\*\*\*There's nothing more Italian than spaghetti. Even though the Chinese invented starch, the Italians used it not on their laundry, but as their food. Now that's using your noodle.

\*\*\*Resident Italian John Checchia let me in on a trade secret; the way a proper Italian eats spaghetti includes getting some of the tomato sauce on your shirt. How traditional can you get? And I always thought it was because Italians were sloppy! John said that getting sauce on your shirt might happen more frequently as you down a few goblets of wine. It's sort of like bowling. Bowling is such a pathetically easy game. Any fool can roll a ball down the lane and knock down a bunch of pins (they even put them all together in one big group to make it more convenient; wonder if this had any Italian roots?). But those pins get harder and harder to bowl over because you've been weightlifting (12 ounces at a time).

\*\*\*Also, I should inform you that there are many variations on spaghetti. You can put tomato sauce and meatballs on top (the classic) or "Linguine" (putting cheese sauce on top instead of tomato sauce). There's also "Mid Western Spaghetti". Both my brother Max and a cook at a local Sambos made this for me, although the cook made it under the deceiving name "Spaghetti with meatsauce".

\*\*\*They make it by (1) breaking the dry spaghetti in thirds (so you can't wind it around your fork) and (2) putting chili on top and sprinkling mozzarella cheese on top and letting it melt while its hot. I personally don't care about it. On an afterthought, I realized that I could have tricked the Sambo cook to turn his back so I could stuff the garbage into an envelope and send it to Michalski. Max knows I don't like chili, and trapped me into eating some because he had made dinner for our family (he lives in Cincinnati) and I couldn't hurt his 'feelings'. He's even sneakier than I am. Not that it says much about Max, but its the thought that counts.

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\*\*\*One last thing before I leave. I want all of you to think about this. How is it that Italian foods are rarely talked about in the plural. Does anybody know what the plural or singular of spaghetti is? When one talks about spaghetti, they refer to (usually) a plate of spaghetti, not a single strand of spaghetti. Well, since Mainardi loves to associate the accomplishment of the Romans with Italians, I'll follow the grammar rules of Latin. So, if you had a plate of spaghetti and Woody came by and ate all of it except one strand, you would be left with a "spaggett". Makes sense to me...

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\*\*\*Well, I hope everybody got something out of that. I'm not sure if its funny or educational, but what the hey! Well, that's it. Take it easy, and watch out for "killer clams"! *Hom*

SECOND ANNUAL EMINENT AWARDS OFFICIAL BALLOT (1983)

You can use this form, or any piece of paper with your vote written in. Thanks to all those who submitted nomination forms. The nominations look fair, but I have as promised left in the space for the write-in vote. The deadline for ballots is August 5, 1983.

In each category simply check the nomination for which you are voting in the space provided. Thanks.

BEST ZINE (5)

- ☐ Coat of Arms
  - ☐ Europa Express
  - ☐ Magus
  - ☐ Murd'ring Ministers
  - ☐ Whitestonia
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BEST NEW ZINE (5)

- ☐ Magus
  - ☐ Midlife Crisis
  - ☐ No Fixed Address
  - ☐ The Prince
  - ☐ Thirty Miles of Bad Road
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BEST ZINE FOR HOBBY NEWS (5)

- ☐ Diplomacy World
  - ☐ Europa Express
  - ☐ Magus
  - ☐ Murd'ring Ministers
  - ☐ Whitestonia/Kathy's Korner
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BEST ZINE FOR GAMES OTHER THAN "DIPLOMACY" (6)

- ☐ Bushwacker
  - ☐ Emhain Macha
  - ☐ Envoy
  - ☐ Life of Monty
  - ☐ The Shogun's Sword
  - ☐ Ter-ran
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DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD (5)

- ☐ John Daly (orphans)
  - ☐ Don Ditter (BNC)
  - ☐ Roy Henricks (ZD)
  - ☐ Lee Kendter, Sr. (BN/MNC)
  - ☐ Larry Peery (Miller Award)
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MOST IMPROVED ZINE (3)

- ☐ Anduin
  - ☐ Modern Patriot
  - ☐ Retaliation
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BEST ZINE LETTER COLUMN (5)

- ☐ Anduin
  - ☐ Appalling Greed
  - ☐ Europa Express
  - ☐ Sleepless Knights
  - ☐ Whitestonia/Kathy's Korner
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BEST LOOKING ZINE (6)

- ☐ Diplomacy World
  - ☐ Envoy
  - ☐ Europa Express
  - ☐ Damn The Torpedoes
  - ☐ Snafu!
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BEST ZINE FOR "DIPLOMACY" (6)

- ☐ Appalling Greed
  - ☐ Cheesecake
  - ☐ Coat of Arms
  - ☐ Dogs of War
  - ☐ Ter-ran
  - ☐ Murd'ring Ministers
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BEST GAMESMASTER (6)

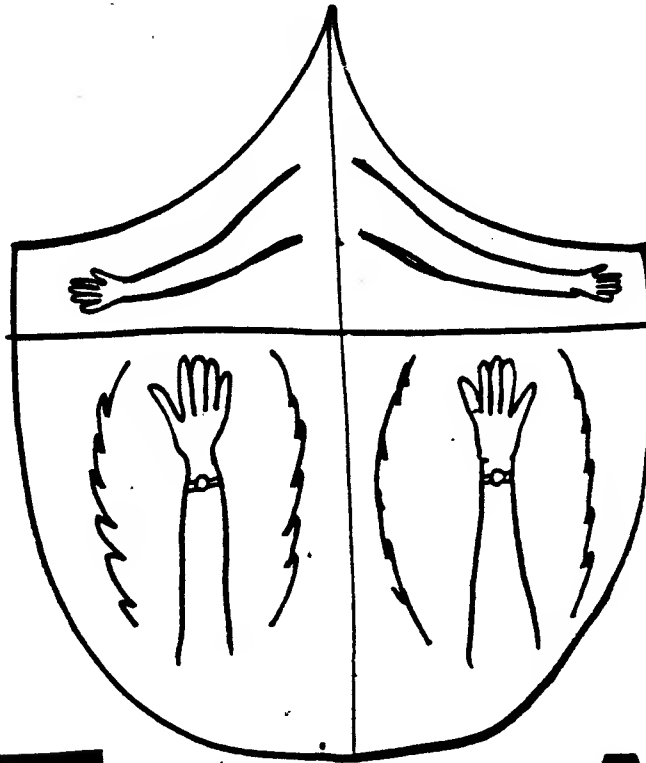
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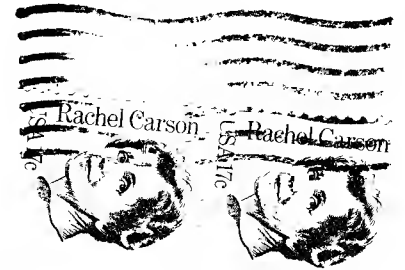




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